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EGAN'S REFUGEES.

They are a White Elephant on His Hands.

THEIR FUTURE IN CASE OF WAR.

It Would Be Impossible for the Government to Furnish Them Any Further Protection After Hostilities are Declared—The Present Situation in Chili. The Baltimore Expected in San Francisco in a Few Days, When an Official Report on the Valparaiso Outrage Will Be Made.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The Herald's Washington dispatch states that the fact was developed at Tuesday's cabinet meeting that the refugees at the American legation at Santiago are proving a great source of embarrassment to the administration. In the event of hostilities between the United States and Chili it would, of course, be impossible for this government to afford them any further protection. International law furnishes no precedent for safe conduct being granted under such circumstances.

In the event of war Mr. Egan would be given his passports and be permitted to leave the country in safety, but not the refugees. Mr. Egan can not carry them with him, and it would be little less than barbarous to turn them loose on the streets of Santiago. It seems, too, that the refugees, aside from the international phase of the question, are proving themselves a white elephant on Mr. Egan's hands. They insist on being entertained in the most hospitable fashion, and they seem to feel that their right to the best which the legation affords is unquestioned.

It is rather a grotesque feature of the affair that Mr. Egan, who neither drinks wine nor uses tobacco in any form, is compelled to spend liberally of his income in providing these luxuries for his fugitive guests. It is quite probable that the government will reimburse him for the additional expenses thus incurred, but this can only be done through congressional enactment, and if congress fails to appropriate the money Mr. Egan must stand the loss.

Arbitration is Demanded.

From the discussion yesterday it is evident that President Harrison has not abated his determination to secure satisfaction from Chili. The question of arbitration was incidentally considered, but, as I have pointed out in these dispatches, it is not incumbent upon this government to take the initiative. If Chili proposes arbitration, as a cabinet officer expressed it yesterday, it will be impossible for us to deny it.

Will Lay the Matter Before Congress.

I learn that President Harrison intends laying the matter before congress some time next week and is having copied all the correspondence bearing upon the present difficulty. Congress will meet on Tuesday and it is probable that the full text of all the correspondence will speedily follow. The correspondence will be printed as an executive document and referred to the foreign affairs committee of the two houses. The purpose of this is to acquaint the public with all that has taken place since the assault was first committed and to prepare congress for any future communications.

I am assured by a gentleman who has read the letters and telegrams that have passed between the state department and Mr. Egan, the state department and Minister Montt and Mr. Egan and the Chili foreign office, that it will make what he characterizes as "spicy" reading. He tells me that it will give the American people a better opinion of Mr. Egan than they have thus far gained from the public prints. It will show that he has exhibited a discretion far beyond what was expected of him; that he was plucky and courageous when his communications with the Chilian foreign office demanded such a course, and that he has proven himself, generally speaking, a clever and astute diplomat.

No Trouble with Minister Montt.

As far as Minister Montt is concerned there has been no trouble. He, too, has proven himself a discreet man, imbued with a spirit of calmness unusual in the people of his race. In his unofficial conversation with Mr. Blaine he has not hesitated to refer to the murder of our sailors as "deplorable" and in other ways to express regret at the unfortunate occurrence. These utterances of Minister Montt are the more gratifying to the administration in view of the fact that thus far not a single expression of regret at the murder of the Baltimore's sailors has reached us from Santiago.

Senor Montt is counseling patience on the part of our government. He is hopeful that an amicable adjustment of the existing difficulty may yet be reached.

How much longer President Harrison will defer making a peremptory demand on Chili can only be conjectured. It is evident from what members of his cabinet say that they are urging him to act with as much promptness in the matter as the condition of affairs in Chili will admit.

PRESIDENT MONTT'S DILEMMA.

Difficulties He Has in Forming a New Cabinet.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The Herald's Valparaiso dispatch says:

The reason why President Montt has been unable to form his new cabinet yet is that the Conservatives or Clericals insist upon a larger number of representatives in the ministry than Montt was disposed to allow them. It is probable that the president will arrive soon at some compromise between the Conservatives and Libeaals as regards the ministry.

Balmacedans to Be Released.

Within a few days, I am assured on good authority, all of Banmaceda's supporters who are now imprisoned will be released with the exception of a few like Colonel Stephan and Pio Fierro, who are accused of crimes deemed unpardonable. Stephan is the officer who made the famous march over the Cordilleras at the height of the winter season and who returned from the Argentine Republic in time to be captured by the victorious junta after the surrender of Valparaiso.

Only One Person Shot.

Despite all the stories so industriously circulated to the contrary. The Herald may safely say that only one person, Leon Lavin, has been shot by order of the junta since Balmaceda's overthrow. Many of the papers remonstrate against such leniency, in view of the recent wrecking of the express train, presumably by Balmacedists.

England Urging Peace.

It is rumored that the British minister, Mr. Kennedy, has received dispatches from London stating that the relations between Chili and the United States are apt to become strained. Similar messages have come from New York. They have undoubtedly been sent to influence exchange.

Chili Will Make Reparation.

I still maintain the idea I have had all along, that Chili will make honorable reparation in the Baltimore affair.

AS SUMMED UP IN WASHINGTON.

The Situation as Learned from Government Officials.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—There is a dearth of information about the departments respecting the Chilian situation. Mr. Cramp, the Philadelphia shipbuilder, was over again yesterday and spent some time waiting for Secretary Tracy but left without seeing him. Senor Montt, the Chilian minister, called at the state department at noon, but missed Secretary Blaine, who was at the wedding of Miss Rachel Sherman.

Messages have been received from Valparaiso to the effect that President Montt has not yet been able to satisfactorily arrange his cabinet and none has been appointed yet.

The Chilian government has been informed by W. R. Grace, of New York, head of the house of large interests in that country, that the United States will send an ultimatum, but this can not be confirmed, nor, if true, can the date of the dispatch be given.

The news from Valparaiso confirms the view heretofore expressed in these dispatches that British influences are decidedly averse to permitting the relations of the United States and Chili to become ruptured and a conflict to occur.

The British minister in Valparaiso yesterday called upon the Chilian minister of foreign affairs and urged a conciliatory course of action. What was the result, of course, is not known, but judging from the temper of Valparaiso utterances it is not believed that the Chilian minister promised any concessions to his British visitor. Maybe with a new minister the outlook may be more peaceful.

Activity in the Navy Department.

Among the measures taken by the navy department in view of the possible results of the present complications with Chili, are preparations of a series of reports by naval attaches of our legations abroad, showing what is being done for Chili in other countries. These reports are being received at the navy department and carefully studied. No step taken by the South American republic escapes the notice and report of the naval representatives abroad so that a surprise of any kind is rendered impossible. Among the vessels now being constructed for Chili abroad, the Capital Pratt, about the size of the New York, is the most formidable.

The Last Cabinet Meeting.

One of the speculations of what was done at the last cabinet meeting, it is said, is that the continued presence of Balmaceda's refugees in the American legation at Valparaiso gave the members of the cabinet great concern, as it did Mr. Egan himself, who was compelled to maintain them in luxury as well as idleness, not knowing but the entire expense in the event of failure by congress to reimburse him by appropriation would fall upon his private purse.

It may be said that this is a mere fanciful creation. If the refugees were discussed, which is not certain, the cabinet was not disturbed by their presence at the legation. There they are going to remain, a prominent official declared yesterday, until assured of peaceful departure, or until the Chilian government by force deprives them of their present retreat. Upon that point, in view of this official's statement, there does not seem to be room for doubt or discussion. Minister Egan will be upheld in all that he has done by this government, and his protection to the refugees will be guaranteed. As to the matter of expense, that will not enter into the consideration of the question. Mr. Egan will probably not suffer pecuniarily for his guests.

BUT A FEW DAYS LONGER

The Baltimore Expected in San Francisco This Week.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Some additional light is expected to be thrown upon the Chilian affair, from the results of an inquiry which will be held shortly in San Francisco. The Baltimore is expected to arrive in that port in a day or two, when an investigation will be made into the assault upon the sailors in Valparaiso, and the statements of those engaged in it will be secured.

The orders for this inquiry have, it is believed, already been issued by the department, and will be handed to Captain Schley on his arrival. As is known, Captain Schley instituted an inquiry into the affair, while lying off Valparaiso, which was conducted by a board of officers of the vessel, and the results communicated to Judge Foster, who presided over the secret investigation pursued by the Chilian authorities under the request of the officials of the United States, and which investigation is still continuing, in an advanced stage, in Valparaiso.

When the procurator, or prosecuting attorney, finishes his examination of Judge Foster's report, then the determination of the Chilian government, upon the demand for reparation made by the United States, will be communicated to this government, and negotiations, which are now at a standstill waiting that step, will be prosecuted further.

The particular object sought to be attained by the inquiry to be instituted upon the arrival of the Baltimore at San Francisco, is not known, but it is supposed that the testimony developed will be used by the president either in connection with what has already been gathered on the subject, or form the basis of a seperate message of congress.

DEFENDS THE CHINESE.

Dr. Thoms Makes a Strong Showing Against Rev. Lewis' Charges.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—About fifty people met in Brooklyn to hear Dr. I. C. Thoms, a Chinamen answer the charges against the Chinese Sunday school pupils made by Rev. Valentine A. Lewis. Mr. Lewis had been invited to attend the meeting and debate the questions raised by him, but he answered that the character of Dr. Thoms' utterances had been such as to preclude any response to him.

Dr. Thoms was then introduced, and after reading the charges made by Mr. Lewis that the Chinese attended Sunday school from corrupt motives and were familiar with evil resorts, he said that the Protestant churches of the United States were the only friends the Chinamen had, and if he was mean enough to turn against them he ought to be swept from the face of the earth. Mr. Lewis was said to be a brave man, but why did he not come forward and substantiate his charges. He challenged him to show one instance where a Sunday school scholar had frequented evil resorts.

He knew of no case where a Chinaman had failed to treat his teacher with proper respect. The women who were carrying on the work were doing great good. The Chinamen were persecuted whatever they did. When they stayed home in the laundry the liquor dealers found fault with them for not drinking and spending their money. If they went to Mott street to see their friends it was charged that they went there to gamble. Now that they attended the Sunday schools, they did it from improper motives. There were 1,000 Chinese in Brooklyn and not a single opium joint. Could a thousand Americans be gotten together without having a dram shop?

Dr. Thoms again denounced Mr. Lewis. His denunciation called forth applause, especially from the young women in the audience.

Dr. Baldwin said that the only work being done for the Chinese was by these Sunday schools. The Chinese were not of the lowest order, as charged, but were largely from the farmer class. Neither was it true, as charged, that one young woman was generally set to teach one Chinaman. They had large classes, and many teachers were middle-aged women and men.

A PROPERTY WAR.

The Claimants Arm Themselves and Prepare to Fight It Out.

HUNTINGTON, Pa., Dec. 31.—After years of legal quibbling over the ownership of a piece of property, John Norris and the Chilcoat brothers, in Shade Valley, this county, have come to armed hostilities and for the last week each side, backed by about fifteen friends, armed with rifles, has maintained a fortification on opposite hills overlooking the disputed property. The Norrises had been occupying the premises up to Thursday last, when the Chilcoats and their friends forcibly ejected them and demolished the house. Each side then collected a company of armed sympathizers, and for several days they have kept watch on opposite hills, each awaiting a favorable opportunity for an attack on the other. Serious consequences are anticipated.

New Base Ball League.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 31.—An attempt is being made to form a new base ball league with eight clubs. Milwaukee has been asked to become one of the clubs. Mr. Williams, of the Columbus club, is the originator of the scheme. The new association is to comprise Milwaukee, Columbus, Indianapolis, Toledo, Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Toronto. The Milwaukee men are favorably impressed with the plan if it can be carried out. They will move carefully, however, as so far Milwaukee has made nothing but glory out of base ball and not a great deal of that.

Two Negroes Killed.

BUNKIE, La., Dec. 31.—Monday a constable and his deputy, who were trying to arrest a negro, were fired upon and both wounded. The sheriff Tuesday, with a posse, attempted to arrest the negroes who did the shooting. They had taken refuge in a cabin where there were a number of other negroes. As the officers approached they were fired upon, one white man being wounded. The posse then fired on the negroes, killing two of them, the others dispersing, most of them going to Marksville and surrendering to the sheriff. Further trouble is apprehended.

Railroad Abandoned.

ANDERSON, Ind., Dec. 31.—The Indiana Midland railroad, extending from this city to Waveland, at the western border of the state, is practically abandoned by its owners, chief of whom is Harry Crawford, of Chicago. Not a wheel has turned on the road since Saturday. The tie-up is caused by the treasurers of Madison, Hamilton and Boone counties seizing the rolling stock to satisfy unpaid taxes.

GARCIA MURDERED.

The Noted Mexican General Killed by His Own Men.

HIS TROOPS THEN JOIN GARZA.

The Revolutionary Movement Rapidly Growing and It is Now a Serious Matter Both with Mexico and the United States—A Battle on This Side of the Rio Grande Hourly Expected.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 31.—A special from Monterey, Mex., says: George Reise, of the state of Nueva Leon, and the military authorities here are much disturbed over the situation on the frontier. The movements of the troops through here from the lower part of the republic during the past five days has been very great and the transportation facilities of the Mexican National road have been insufficient to accommodate the heavy demand made upon it by the government. The garrison here has rushed all of its available troops to Nueva Laredo from which place they are distributed along the right bank of the Rio Grande.

The news was received here late last night that General Lorenzo Garcia, in command of the troops in the field in the northern zone of Mexico, with headquarters at Mier, had been murdered by his command, and that the entire force, numbering several hundred men under his immediate command, had gone over to the side of the revolutionists, crossing over to Texas in a body, at a point between Roma and Carriso.

The private soldiers in the Mexican army are nearly all convicted criminals, who, instead of being given a term in the prisons, are sentenced to serve with the militia. They are desperate characters, and are nearly all secret sympathizers with the revolutionary movement. General Garcia was one of the most prominent and efficient officers in the Mexican army, and his death at the present time is a serious blow to the government.

Governor Reyes has been in constant telegraphic communication with President Diaz all day, but the nature of the dispatches is not known.

BATTLE EXPECTED.

United States Troops Will Meet the Revolutionists Inside of Twenty-Four Hours.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 31.—There was startling revolutionary news received at military department headquarters yesterday in a dispatch to General David S. Stanley from William B Wheeler, who is temporarily in command at Fort Ringgold during the absence of Captain John G. Bourke, who is in the field. The dispatch states that Captain Bourke, who is seventy-eight miles from Fort Ringgold, has just sent word to the post, by a courier, that Catarina Garza has united 250 of his men twelve miles north of Lopena ranch and the revolutionist leader and his followers are desperate and will fight.

The dispatch states that Captain Francis H. Hardie has thirty men in his command and Captain Brooks, of the state rangers, a force of thirteen men. First Lieutenant William D. Batch will join Captain Bourke with a troop of thirty-four men at Peneno, and an effort was also to be made to get word to Troop G, which should be at Carrizo with forty men. Second Lieutenant George T. Langhorn, who has twenty six men with him, is also ordered to proceed at once to join Captain Bourke.

General Stanley stated that he thought a fight would ensue within the next twenty-four hours between the United States troops and the revolutionists. The Garza men in the section around Fort Ringgold outnumber the United States troops five to one. The telegraph wires between Fort Ringgold and Brownsville yesterday gave out, and no further official information has been received here concerning the situation. The nearest available telegraph station to Captain Bourke's forces is Laredo, a distance of 130 miles.

CRUSHED TO A JELLY.

Jere Little, the Kentucky Outlaw, Accidentally Killed.

MOUNT STERLING, Ky., Dec. 31.—Jere Little, the famous Breathitt county outlaw, was accidentally killed near Jackson, Monday, while rolling logs. His cant hook slipped, throwing him down, and an immense log rolled over him, breaking every bone in his body, and crushing his head to a jelly.

Little was the leader of the famous Little-Strong war a few years ago in Breathitt county, and state troops had to be sent to that county to stop the terrible murders. There is no telling how many men Jere Little has assisted to climb the golden stairs with his 45-calibre revolver and Winchester rifle. He has been shot and cut a score of times, and at his death had twenty-six bullets in his body. In the last year or so Little had reformed and joined church, and was leading a quiet and peaceful life.

Crushed by Cars.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 31.—While a gang of men were employed in moving cars yesterday afternoon at the Rhode Island Berkins Horse Shoe company's works at Valley Falls, the train which was being made up in the yards struck the cars with considerable force. Most of the men managed to jump out of the way, but Isaac Yate and Sarkis Sahigran were caught between the cars and a pile of old iron, and crushed to death. Yate was a Frenchman, living at Central Falls, and leaves a wife and six children.

Senator Plumb's Successor.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—Bishop W. Perkins is the man selected to succeed the late Senator Plumb, and Governor Humphrey will make the appointment either today or tomorrow.

THE CANADIAN SITUATION.

Henry Labouchere Sizes It Up to His Paper, Truth.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—Truth, Henry Labouchere's paper, publishes an article on Canada's future, drawn out by the trouble in the province of Quebec which resulted in the ousting from office of Mr. Mercier, the prime minister of Quebec, and the members of his cabinet. Truth says that it is the manifest destiny of the Dominion to become a new United States or to become attached to the great republic. The change is inevitable, and the sooner it occurs the better.

The emancipation of the grotesque Dominion and its absorption in the United States would be a benefit to the Canadians and also to Great Britain. Such a course would relieve Great Britain of the necessity of engaging in trans-Atlantic squabbles in which she has no concern. It would, moreover, give the Canadians energy and enterprise which no mere colonists can possess. The only sufferers would be the Indians, who would be transferred to the tender mercies of what is probably the most corrupt and rascally institution on earth, the Washington Indian bureau.

The paper further says that Canada once free, Australia would soon follow. Indeed it is quite possible, Truth declares, that Australia will be the first to sever the bonds by which she is attached to Great Britain. The talk of loyalty to the British crown, Truth says, is all buncombe.

Orleanists on Their Last Legs.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The Siecle asserts that it has information of the truth of the recently published statements to the effect that the Orleans party, headed by Comte DeParis, is on the verge of annihilation. The Siecle declares that within a very short time, the entire Orleanist organization, with its following of ancient families and decayed nobility, will disappear from the political world without leaving a trace behind. The prediction by The Siecle will probably be stoutly denied by The Gaulois, official organ in Paris of the assailed party.

The Siege of Yemen Lifted.

VIENNA, Dec. 31.—A letter is published here describing the ten weeks' siege of Yemen by the Arabs. The town was under bombardment daily, while a terrible famine prevailed in Yemen. Every person venturing out of the town to attempt to procure food was driven back naked, with nose and ears cut off and otherwise mutilated, the insurgent chief declaring that he would convert the Yemen Jews to Islamism or extirpate them. When the Turks relieved the city a general butchery of citizens occurred on both sides.

Think They Will Do Business Here.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—General Graham, presiding at a meeting of the Maxim-Nordenfeldt Gun company, announced the company's intention to establish factories in the United States, the directors sent to inquire having reported favorably on the company's prospects of obtaining orders.

Tightening the Screws.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The Correspondence Officielle of Strasbourg says that from April 1, in accordance with the new law, all salaries in Alsace-Lorraine must be calculated in marks instead of francs and all bookkeeping to be done in German money. A heavy fine and imprisonment will be imposed upon those who disobey.

Bully for the Bulgars.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The Berlin correspondent of The Daily News says: Bulgaria is resolved to proclaim her independence should the porte yield to the demands of France in the Chadourne affair.

Belgium and Telephones.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 31.—The government has notified the Bell Telephone company that after January, '93 all telephone service in Belgium will be taken charge of by the government.

Indications.

Fair weather; southeasterly winds; slightly warmer Thursday night, with threatening weather and rain on Friday.

THE MARKETS.

Review of the Grain and Cattle Markets for December 30.

Cincinnati.

WHEAT—[illegible].
CORN—41@45c.
WOOL—Unwashed fine merino, 17@18c; ¼-blood combing, 21@22c; braid, 17@18c; medium combing, 22@23c; fleece washed fine merino X and XX, 26@27c; medium clothing, 27@28c.
CATTLE—Good to choice butchers, $4 00@4 35; fair to good, $3 25@4 00; common, $2 25@3 00.
HOGS—Selected butchers and heavy shipping, $3 90@4 00; fair to good packing, $3 70@3 90; common to rough, $3 35@3 65.
SHEEP—$3 00@5 25.
LAMBS—$4 00@5 50.

Chicago.

WHEAT—January, 90⅞c.
CORN—January, 40c.
HOGS—Heavy, $3 75@4 00; mixed, $3 66@3 85; common, $3 30@3 60; light, $3 50@3 80.
CATTLE—Good to choice, $4 50@5 25; others, $2 00@3 85; mixed, $1 25@3 50.
SHEEP—$3 00@5 00.
LAMBS—$4 50@6 00.

Pittsburg.

CATTLE—Prime, $5 10@5 30; good, $4 00@4 50; fair, $3 25@3 85; stockers and feeders, $2 50@3 80; bulls, stags and fat cows, $1 50@3 00; fresh cows, dull, [illegible].
HOGS—All grades, $4 15@4 40.
SHEEP—Extra, $5 10@5 50; good, $4 75@5 10; fair, $3 40@4 00; common, [illegible]; yearlings, $3 25@5 25.
LAMBS—$4 00@6 00.

New York.

WHEAT—No. 2 red winter, $1 07; January, $1 05⅜.
CORN—53c.
OATS—40c.
CATTLE—$1 50@5 10.
SHEEP—[illegible]@5 00.
LAMBS—$4 75@7 25.

Toledo.

WHEAT—95c.
CORN—Cash, 41c.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

OHIO STATE NEWS.

Dispatches from Different Parts of the Buckeye State.

OHIO AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Building Committee Hold a Meeting and Adopt Plans for the State's Structure at Chicago—The Committee Now in Chicago Transacting Business with the National Directors—Other State News.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 31.—The building committee of the Ohio world's fair commission held a meeting Tuesday, and adopted plans for this state's building at Chicago. J. W. Yost, of Columbus; George W. Rapp, of Cincinnati, and F. S. Coburn, of Cleveland, members of the committee appointed by the Ohio chapter of the American Institute of Architects to prepare plans, were present.

James W. McLaughlin, of Cincinnati, the architect employed by the committee, was also in attendance, and presented plans for the building, which were adopted. The building committee left Tuesday night for Chicago to have the plans approved by the national directors.

Race for Liberty and Won.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 31.—Vandenburg, the now famous diamond robber, who escaped from the Dayton jail last Sunday night, was seen here last night on the street and recognized by Walter A. Davis, who saw him in the jail at Dayton. The police started after him, and Vandenburg, in order to escape, stole Calvin Clemon's horse and buggy, which was hitched in front of the Central Methodist Episcopal church. He drove south in a race for liberty, and has not yet been found. In fact, the police have lost track of him.

A Costly Visit.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 31.—Neil Dennison, son of ex-Governor Dennison, who has been living at Denver for some years, came here a few days ago to visit friends. His presence was taken advantage of by Robert Neil, the surviving executor of the Neil estate, to secure service on him in a suit for borrowed money and interest amounting now to $24,000. An attempt has been made to keep the matter quiet, and it is understood that Dennison made arrangements to cover the debt.

Death of an Inventor.

NORWALK, O., Dec. 31.—Jonas Hinkley died yesterday from lung fever, caused by the grip. Mr. Hinkley was quite well known among the American inventors, having invented a well-known knitting machine, sewing machine and carpet sweeper. From his knitting machine he realized quite a fortune, and was one of the finest expert mechanics in the country. Since his early youth he has constantly used his mind toward valuable inventions. He was seventy-four years old.

Three Men Injured in a Wreck.

ALLIANCE, O., Dec. 31.—A serious and destructive wreck on the Pittsburg and Fort Wayne road occurred near Salem yesterday. Eighteen cars were destroyed and three men hurt. Engineer Mart Grimes had his leg cut off and was internally hurt. He will die. James Graven, fireman, scalded; will also die. Brakeman James Head, arm crushed. All are married and residents of this city.

A Farmer's Queer Way of Celebrating.

CALAIS, O., Dec. 31.—Philip Barnhouse, living near Calais, O., desiring to have Christmas celebrated at his own domicile, burned a large hole in a stump near by and placed therein a large amount of rock powder. He then set fire to the powder, which caused an explosion, knocking Barnhouse down, burning off his beard and hair and probably blinding both eyes.

Out on Bail.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 31.—Mrs. Mattie Blackburn, who was arrested with her husband in Cincinnati for stealing here and subsequently bound over to the grand jury, was released from jail yesterday on $400 bond. Barbara Helm, of Cincinnati, signed the bond.

Big Oil Well.

ST. MARY'S, O., Dec. 31.—A local oil company, with S. S. Longabaugh at the head, struck a big oil well in Indiana, which is doing 150 barrels a day. The company holds a large number of leases on the land.

Prize Offer for a Poem or Song.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Director General Davis has received from a prominent eastern manufacturing firm an offer to deposit with any one he may designate $5,000, as a prize for the best poem or song, to be read or sung at the opening ceremonies at the world's fair, the contest to be open to the world, and the prize to be awarded to the writer by a committee to be selected by the commission. The director general will at once place the proposition before the proper committee.

KENTUCKY SPEAKERSHIP.

It Took Thirty-Three Caucus Ballots to Decide the Question.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 31.—The deadlock over the speakership of the Kentucky house held the Democratic caucus in session from 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night until 4 o'clock Wednesday morning. Twenty-eight ballots had then been taken, and the candidates were comfortably close. The Moore men began at 3 o'clock to make inroads on the Woods men, and Harvey Myers and his friends saw that Moore would win unless an adjournment worked. This they succeeded in getting at 4 o'clock. They met again at 10:30 yesterday and proceeded to ballot amid great excitement.

O'Meara, of Hardin, and Garrison, of Warren, who had steadily followed Dr. Woods, gave up hope of his election and on the thirtieth ballot deserted to Moore amid the wildest cheers of that side. The ballot as announced brought Moore from 30 to 34 and tied him with Myers.

The thirty-first and thirty-second ballots made no change, but on the thirty-third Simms, of Trigg, deserted Woods and voted for Moore. Woods withdrew and cast his vote for Moore, which elected him amid the wildest cheers of the lobbies and galleries, and Hon. Harvey Myers moved to make the nomination unanimous. This was done, and the other races were declared in order.

Green R. Keller, of Nicholas county, was elected chief clerk, and James E. Stone, of Breckinridge, assistant clerk, by acclamation. J. M. Furnish, of Lyon; C. T. Freeman, of Woodford; U. B. Taylor, of Mason; J. H. Stout, of Warren; Gus W. Richardson, of Meade; N. B. Riley, of Todd, and John Stuart, of Clarke, were put in nomination for enrolling clerk of the house, but before the vote could be taken the hour for the meeting of the general assembly proper arrived and the caucus adjourned.

The roll call showed ninety-nine members present. When all had been sworn in nominations for speaker were called for. Mr. Hanks, of Anderson, named Mr. Moore. Dr. James, of Muhlenburg, named Silas Adams, the Republican nominee.

The vote resulted: Moore, 76; Adams, 17; Thomas S. Pettit, 4.

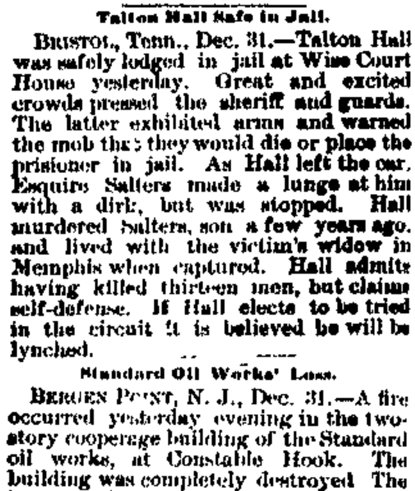
Talton Hall Safe in Jail.

BRISTOL, Tenn., Dec. 31.—Talton Hall was safely lodged in jail at Wise Court House yesterday. Great and excited crowds pressed the sheriff and guards. The latter exhibited arms and warned the mob that they would die or place the prisoner in jail. As Hall left the car, Esquire Salters made a lunge at him with a dirk, but was stopped. Hall murdered Salters, son a few years ago, and lived with the victim's widow in Memphis when captured. Hall admits having killed thirteen men, but claims self-defense. If Hall elects to be tried in the circuit it is believed he will be lynched.

Standard Oil Works' Loss.

BERGEN POINT, N. J., Dec. 31.—A fire occurred yesterday evening in the two-story cooperage building of the Standard oil works, at Constable Hook. The building was completely destroyed. The loss on the building, stock and machinery will reach over $70,000.

SYRUP OF FIGS



ONE ENJOYS

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SENATOR BAIN FOR SHERMAN

In this morning's State Journal is such a distorted report of Senator John Bain's day in Columbus Thursday, and his position on the senatorial question, that the STAR, in possession of the real facts, feels that it is due to shed a little light.

Senator Bain will misrepresent his constituency by voting for Mr. Sherman for another term. No one has ever claimed otherwise. The Senator had maintained repeatedly that he was not pledged and wished to voice the sentiment of his constituents, and on that ground there was some reason to believe that he might possibly vote as the masses wish, but not so. Senator Bain was pledged before he was nominated. Judge Lawrence boldly proclaimed that fact Thursday evening, after the Senator's pledge was renewed, and significantly added that he would never have been nominated had he not so pledged himself. It is simply a repitition of Logan county dictating in Marion's political affairs, and exposes the charming farce idea of having a representative voice the sentiment of the people. We do not wish to question Mr. Bain's honesty—that would not be thought of, but Mr. Bain's pledge, concerning which either he or Judge Lawrence is mistaken, stood in his way of seeing sentiment as it truly exists. But the Journal this morning tells us the Senator was dragged to Foraker headquarters and imprisoned there until a criticism of Sherman riled him and he indignantly withdrew to the Sherman quarters. Senator Bain was escorted to Foraker quarters by the writer, who accompanied him from Marion, and the three hours that he spent in company with Foraker men were certainly pleasant and agreeable. While interestedly talking to Mr. Cox, a henchman of Mr. Sherman rather impolitely reached a private room and with rather a significant air said that Senator Sherman wanted Senator Bain at once. He did want him badly. The spies that had kept tab on the Senator as though they owned him, soul, body and baggage, had become alarmed and he was badly wanted. What transpired at Sherman quarters is not known to the writer, but our good Senator was so rattled that he wore away the great statesman's overcoat instead of his own, much to his annoyance, and in returning it was again surrounded and redeemed his pledge by declaring himself anew. There is the whole story. Nominated on a pledge as he was, Senator Bain could not do otherwise, even had he wished, and there is no use in discussing it. Under the circumstances there can neither be complaint or severe criticism. We can bear in mind, however, the Logan county dicker, together with earlier events. They may be useful in the future.

THERE is but little new in the senatorial contest. Both sides are as cheerful and strong in their claims as ever. The matter has come to "an unseemly scramble," which Mr. Sherman insisted he never would enter into, and it is uncomfortably close. The lines are closely drawn on the speakership contest, and the caucus on that on Saturday will indicate most likely the coming result.

Senator Sherman is in charge of his own campaign, and the prominent federal office-holders of Ohio and about forty from Washington, are around his headquarters, booming his candidacy as best they can. There is no disputing that the senator's immense federal patronage is his greatest power and is the source of greatest annoyance to the Foraker forces.

The most repeated argument of the Sherman men against Judge Foraker is that he is from Cincinnati and supported by the gang there, but it is a weak claim to urge. It wouldn't do to investigate too deeply and specifically into the gang business. There is a horse apiece on that score.

WELL, whoever it is, Ohio will have an able U. S. Senator. And at the risk of being tabooed by the fellows who think a newspaper has no right to an opinion until a string is pulled, here's hoping it is Senator Foraker.

A HAPPY New Year. It is a very dull New Year's day for Marion, but the wish goes just the same.

Probate Court.

Hearing on petition to sell real estate in the matter of William Stack, administrator of the estate of Jacob Behner, deceased.

Robert Branson, administrator of the estate of Eliza Ellen Branson, deceased, filed inventory and appraisement of personal property.

Licensed to Marry.

William F. Sparks and Mary F. Nash.
George A Kenyon and Laura Emery.
George D. Estlack and Minnie M. Berry.
Elza H. Decker and Bud L. Hart.

Popularly called the king of medicines—Hood's Sarsaparilla. It conquers scrofula, salt rheum and all other blood disease.

Green Camp.

Horse trading is [illegible] in Green Camp.

Mrs. Maggie Wintcraft, of Caledonia is visiting friends in this vicinity.

Samuel Luellin has been visiting his son, Will Luellin, and family during the holidays.

Green Camp has more lawyers to the square inch than any town of its size in the county.

Swearing off from our own [illegible] is now in order. Let us see to it that we stay sworn this time.

It is said that the German remedy for the grip is the liberal use of grated horse radish.

Charles Gardner must be a favorite with Santa Clause. He got a check in his stocking for $600. I believe that I'll examine my old stocking once more.

Chris Somerlot and family are visiting friends here for a few days.

Seal Somerlot and family came back home to spend the holidays.

D. G. Free went down to Columbus Tuesday.

When representatives of the STAR visits this vicinity they always go to church. Come again, Will.

Charles Gardner will move to Marion, where he has purchased property. We wish Charley good luck in his new home.

Thos. Hogan takes Charles Gardner's place on the section.

Mr. Welch, our popular station agent, is almost sorry that he's a bachelor. He's got the grip and no one to care for him. Get married, Walter.

Clarence Sutton and Will Knifin have been visiting their many friends for the past week. They have returned to the Capitol City.

The number of grip victims increases and many of them are very sick people, but we hope to be spared making the announcement of any more deaths.

At last the workmen are putting up the iron bridge over the Scioto, east of town.

Our singing talent—and we have lots of it—is organizing to begin a practice of the oratorio of Queen Esther, to be rendered in the near future. Prof. Poland will be director. We are sure that the effort will be a success and will receive the encouragement of the community.

Austin Funk died Monday night and the funeral occurred Wednesday. Mr Funk was one of our best citizens and his departure is universally lamented. He was a christian and a member of the M. E. church. His immediate family consists of a wife and three children. His illness began with grip which became complicated with pneumonia. We mourn the loss of a good man.

Jan. 1. P.

LaRue.

A young lady by the name of Wirtz, a neice of C. H. Prettyman, died at his home Tuesday. Her home was in Coffee county, Kansas.

John Bonner sold his farm to J. C. Johnson. He was one of our oldest and most respected pioneers.

A large revival is being held at Hepburn, north of this place, by Rev Reed, who, we are glad to state, is a very popular preacher loved by his people and honored by all. If the governor doesn't send his private carriage to the depot for him when he gets to Columbus.

James Hogan has another new buggy, the third one in a year, caused by his horse occasionally getting reckless.

Wm. J. Myers intends that his good work shall follow him. He has lately added a bran new boy to his already large family.

The dogs along one of the roads a short distance from town were all poisoned recently and since that time the farmers have been keeping watch. Monday night one of them heard a disturbance in his hencoop and ran out. A man was so nearly cornered that he had to wade a small creek to get away, when he was shot at and unluckily missed. Loads of corn, poultry and in fact everything that can be moved goes. Our farmers should organize and give a few the benefit of something after the Chinese fashion.

Wm. Trafz has moved to his father's farm, near Hillard, O.

Miss Lizzie Hastings, of Warrensburg, Mo., visited Mrs. Geo. McElheny and other relatives near here a couple weeks and returned to her home last week.

Mr. Owens started for Florida Wednesday to make that his future home. He loaded a car with his goods.

Delano Gillespie returned from a trip through the west and will soon move to central Kansas.

There have been protracted meetings in nearly all the churches around here but at last accounts the devil was taking things very easily.

Crow, the clothier, has moved his stock of clothing to Jas. Crowley's new room. The finest room in town.

We are very sorry that one of our most promising firms, Swehem Bros', have concluded to leave and go to the far West. They came here several years ago with scarcely any capital, but have built up one of the best meat markets in the country. They deserve success wherever they conclude to settle.

I see that our esteemed friend Senator-elect Bain has come out strong for Sherman. He certainly has made a very sudden change, as he told me a me a few days before the election that he believed that Foraker was much the most available man, and was quite sure that he ought to be elected.

Jan 1 R. S.

Surprise to All.

After using "Mother's Friend" two months I was so speedily and easily relieved that it was a surprise to those attending me. "Mother's Friend" undoubtedly lessens the pains, shortens the time and restores the mother speedily to health. Will recommend it to all expectant mothers and advise them to use it. Mrs. J. A. R., Muncie, Ind. Sold by C. H. Tucker's drug store.

Caledonia.

We are [illegible] to escape the grip but it seems to have fastened onto a great number of our citizens and I presume there will be more cases to follow. Your correspondent has recovered from a severe attack, [illegible] to feel like himself once more.

Cliff Poe was over from Marion last week and spent Christmas at the old homestead near this place.

A. G. Travers and family, of Marion, passed the holidays with the parents of Mr. Travers, at this place.

Jas Stoker, of Quincy, O., was the guest of W. W. Campbell and family on Christmas day.

The oyster supper given by the Avery club on Christmas eve was quite largely attended and a good time was had.

Dr. Harding, of Marion, was called to this place last Tuesday to consult with Dr. Holloway on a severe case at the home of Wash Clutter, north of town.

A great many of our citizens attended the dedication services at Marion last Sunday.

Rev. Martindale closed his meeting at Canaan last Sunday night and is well pleased with result of his effort.

Mrs. John Crissinger, of Marion, drove over on Tuesday to visit her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Dunn, who is sick with the grip.

E. S. Godens, our popular butcher, is confined to the house with grip.

I. E. Sater was over from Marion this week, superintending the slating of the town hall roof.

Our "Argus" failed to appear last week, consequently we were left in the dark in regard to the happenings in this locality during the week previous.

D. D. Fawcett, of the Cleveland stock yards, was here Wednesday.

Will Landis, of Owen, is here spending the holidays with his parents.

Come over, Mr. Editor, and perform on our sawdust pile with us. Some sawdust man has in a manner convinced our honorable mayor and board of improvements that a good supply of sour stinking sawdust scattered on the streets beats concrete, Nicholson or any other kind of pavement, and in consequence thereof, we have the slickest coat of sawdust scattered over our town that anyone would wish to see. The scene is perfectly sublime, and when we take into consideration the safeguard this stuff will be to the health of the community, we should, I think, be grateful to his honor the mayor, the board of improvements and the sawdust man.

Our merchants report a good holiday trade and business otherwise fair.

Mr. Elza H. Decker, of Iowa, and Miss Bud Hart, of this place, were united in marriage Thursday night at the M. E. church, at 7:30 o'clock, Rev. Martindale officiating. We wish them success on the voyage.

We now have on the north east corner of the public square the much talked about town hall chicken coop as in a sense it resembles that as much as anything else. A high toned latest architectural style chicken coop. We have it anyhow Mr. Editor and whatever fault there may be to find with this structure and the parties interested in its construction, will have to be smothered and allowance made for ignorance in matters of this kind.

Jan 1 [illegible]

Bartram-Whipps.

John H. Bartram and Miss Florence Whipps, were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr and Mrs. W. D. Whipps, on north Main street, Wednesday evening. Rev. R. Walker, performed the ceremony in the presence of only the relatives and intimate friends of the contracting parties. A delightful wedding supper followed, with M. E. Medley as caterer. Mr and Mrs. Bartram received many handsome presents.

General Booth's Congratulations.

MADRAS, Jan. 1.—General Booth, the head of the Salvation Army who is at present in this city has telegraphed to the national Indian congress in session at Nagpur, his sympathy with the objects of the congress. His action was prompted by the action of the [illegible] to the congress, who [illegible] acknowledged the great good [illegible] the Salvation Army in India. [illegible] after the receipt of General Booth's telegram, the congress, after [illegible] expressions of loyalty to Great Britain, dissolved amid enthusiastic cheers for the empress of India.

Passenger Trains Collide.

SOUTH PUEBLO, Colo., Jan. 1.—Union Pacific passenger trains running over the Rio Grande road between [illegible] and Pueblo collided Thursday evening at a point three miles south of [illegible]. Fireman H. Gribble was killed and Engineer Bush, Brakeman C. F. Evans, Mail Clerks Wolcott and J. Esher were dangerously hurt. None of the passengers received serious injuries. The accident was caused by the failure of the agent at [illegible] to deliver orders.

Senator Plumb's Successor.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 1.—Governor Humphrey is [illegible] besieged by importunate politicians [illegible] the claims of the various candidates for the senatorship. Ex-Congressman Perkins was given an interview during the afternoon, this being the first personal hearing he has had since the canvass began. All the other candidates have [illegible] night [illegible] but there is [illegible] doubt [illegible] the appointment.

Ohio Wants Sugar Industry.

WASHINGTON, [illegible] 1.—There have been 221 app[illegible] from Ohio and sixteen from West Virginia to Commissioner [illegible] to Mason for [illegible] sugar under the provisions of [illegible] law provid[illegible]

[illegible] Manslaughter.

BOSTON, Jan. [illegible] Goodwin of 42 [illegible] Roxbury, was held at Station [illegible] charged with manslaughter. He had a quarrel with his wife and inflicted injuries upon her which resulted in her death.

FORWARD, MARCH.

The Command Given to the United States Troops.

EN ROUTE TO MEET GARZA.

A Battle Momentarily Expected Between Our Troops and the Mexican Revolutionists. Telegraph Wires Cut and No Direct Communication with the Seat of War.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 1.—The transportation arrangements for Troops D and K, Third cavalry, have been completed and they will leave here early Saturday morning for Fort McIntosh under command of Major Lewis S. Morris. They are all well equipped for field service. Upon arrival at Fort McIntosh, Major Morris with Troop K will take station at that post and Troop D will march to Fort Ringgold for duty at that post. Captain Robert J. Gibson, assistant surgeon, will accompany the command and will take charge of the fort hospital at Fort Ringgold.

One ambulance complete, with driver and hospital attendants from this post will also be sent from here to Fort Ringgold. Two six-mule teams complete with civilian teamsters will be sent with each troop. The anxiety at military headquarters here over the situation with regard to the United States troops was very great.

There was no official news of any kind received from the seat of war. The telegraph wires between Ringgold and Brownsville are still down, and it is impossible for any late advices from the seat of war to get through without inconveniencing the direction of the operations from headquarters here. There was formerly a government telegraph line running from Laredo to Fort Ringgold, which was on a paying basis, and was costing the government comparatively nothing to keep up its repairs. It was of great benefit to the military stations along the border, but the department at Washington decided that it was a useless luxury, and by its order it was removed.

Colonel Hare on Garza.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1. "Will the Garza emeute amount to anything?" was asked ex-Congressman Hare, of Texas.

"It will amount to nothing," was the reply, "unless to the premature ending of Colonel Garza by means of a hempen necktie. The movement is only a border foray, with nothing back of it worthy so dignified a name as revolution. There have been very hard times on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande for many months occasioned by an almost total failure of the crops, and this condition has stirred up the discontended element. The rebellion can't last long. President Diaz is a man of blood and iron and prompt to quell such outbreaks. It won't take him long to put a quietus on Garza and his gang."

WOOL STATISTICS.

Annual Review by the American Wool and Cotton Reporter.

BOSTON, Jan 1. The American Wool and Cotton Reporter, in its annual review of the wool market, shows stocks of wool unsold in the principal markets of the United States, including Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, San Francisco, St. Louis, Troy, Hartford, Providence, Albany, San Antonio and Milwaukee, as follows.

Total, 59,314,233 pounds, against 65,020,882 last year. Adding to the foregoing figures the estimated amounts in other markets and the concealed supplies and wool in pullers' hands, makes a total supply of 108,411,233 pounds, against 92,861,882 pounds a year ago; in New York, 12,037,473 pounds, against 11,186,000 a year ago; in Philadelphia, 10,915,000 pounds, against 12,967,000 a year ago; in Chicago, 3,686,000 pounds, against 3,000,000 a year ago; in St. Louis, 7,000,000 pounds, against 3,710,000 a year ago; in San Francisco, 3,000,000 pounds, against 1,000,000 a year ago.

Prices of domestic wool during the year on an average have declined about two cents a pound, and Australian and other foreign wools fully one cent. During a great part of the year, an unusually large amount of foreign wool, notably Australian, has been sold in American markets, which has displaced an equal amount of domestic fleeces, which were for a long period conspicuously inactive and accumulating in quantity.

TOO MUCH COTTON.

A Meeting to Be Held to Resolve Upon Means of Reducing the Acreage.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Jan. 1.—There was an important meeting held in the Augusta Exchange Wednesday to discuss plans for reducing cotton acreage. Remarks were made by a number of cotton factors and other leading business men, emphasizing the necessity for curtailing next year's cotton crop.

Resolutions were adopted stating that it has become self evident that the production of cotton by the southern planters exceeds the demand of the world's consumption at remunerative prices; and that a convention of cotton planters, Alliance men, merchants, cotton factors the presidents of the several agricultural societies, the commissioners of agriculture in the cotton states, and members of the cotton exchanges in Georgia, the Carolinas and other cotton states be called to meet at Augusta, on the 27th of January, 1892, the purpose of the convention being to co-operate with and assist the planters and Alliance men in formulating some effective plan to curtail the cotton acreage, and relieve the burden now resting upon the agricultural interests of the south.

Three delegates were selected to the Montgomery meeting, to be held on Jan. 6.

HOLLIDAYSBURG, Pa., Jan. 1.—The large rolling mill, furnaces and franchises of the Hollidaysburg and Gap iron works, were sold at receivers' sale Thursday to Hon. A. S. Landis, trustee for the first mortgage creditors. The [illegible] money was $25,555. The works have been idle for a year, but will resume soon with a force of 250 men.

Illness of a Governor.

DES MOINES, Jan 1.—Governor Boies [illegible] to his room with the grip. He [illegible] well for several days, and [illegible] compelled to take to his room. [illegible] intimation the public had of his [illegible] was Wednesday night when he [illegible] received the members of [illegible] Teachers association but found [illegible] to be present.

TENNESSEE CONVICTS

Likely to Be Moved Back to the Mines Most Any Time.

CHATTANOOGA, Jan. 1.—The following was recived from Nashville Wednesday night:

It now looks like there will be a forward movement to Coal Creek within a day or two.

Superintendent Wade arrived here from Knoxville Thursday morning, and at once held an interview with the lessees. He declines to state when the guards and convicts will leave for Coal Creek. It is probable that the guards will go in advance of the military.

There is still a good deal of doubt about the return of convicts to Briceville. The stockade there was burnt, and all the cabins are occupied by one hundred free miners, who are working in the mines. President Jenkins, of the Tennessee Mining company, says that none of these miners shall be dispossessed of the cabins.

Sixteen additions to the militia came in from Chattanooga last night, and there are now encamped on the hill a company of sixty-four men, besides officers.

Secretary of State Miller has given it out, however, that the soldiers and guards will go to Briceville and Coal Creek by special train Wednesday night.

To be Tried for Treason.

Everything has been staggered and nothing attempted in the past few days on account of the sensational charge that Assistant Commissioner of Labor and Mines Alleman is guilty of treason against the state, a crime whose only punishment is death by hanging. It is charged that just before the release of the convicts by the miners Alleman personally consulted with the aggrieved leaders of the miners, and incited them to their rebellious uprising. He also went about among the men and advised it.

In reply to inquiries, Mr. Wade said he had never preferred formal charges against Mr. Alleman, but he had, in an interview with Governor Buchanan, spoken of the charges, and had informed the governor of statements that had been made to him (Wade) by the warden and guards at Tracy City, to the effect that Mr. Alleman was charged with having said that if it were necessary he would resign his office and take up his gun and assist the miners in the struggle against the convict lease system. Mr. Wade said he did not file any affidavit setting forth these charges, but merely repeated substantially what had been told him to the governor.

The matter came before the legislature in an informal way, and a member introduced a resolution to have an investigation upon the strength of the rumors.

Alleman will be tried by a court-martial.

NOT YET FREE.

Transportation of Donated Food for the Starving Russian Peasants.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—No arrangements have as yet been made for transportation to Russia of the grain gathered by the state of Iowa, under the auspices of Miss Clara Barton, president of the Red Cross society. The Russian government has signified its willingness to transport the grain and flour from Iowa, Minnesota and other states in their merchant marine vessels if this government finds itself unable to voluntarily tender the use of its ships.

Senator Allison, the representative of Iowa in this matter, has so far made no request of the secretary of the navy for the designation of any ship. Senator Washburn has done so, however, as the representative of the Minneapolis millers. If Secretary Tracy does not tender the use of a naval vessel, it is probable that the grain will be transported in Russian craft.

Miss Barton thinks it probable that the president will select the school ship Constitution, which was suggested by Senator Washburn to Secretary Tracy and which performed a similar service during the last Irish famine, as the most available vessel to transport the cargo of flour donated by the northwest mills. Subscriptions are still being received for this purpose. Miss Barton, in response to requests from various sections of the country, has issued a call and is receiving numerous individual contributions of $1 for the relief of the Russian peasants. This money will be used by the Red Cross society through Miss Barton for whatever purpose it may be deemed expedient. All contributions should be addressed, "Miss Clara Barton, Hotel Oxford, Fourteenth street and New York Avenue, N. W., Washington."

Coinage of the Philadelphia Mint.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1.—The total coinage at the Philadelphia mint for the year just ended is about 92,000,000 pieces, to the value of $13,000,000. This total is not as great as last year, which is accounted for in the fact that the silver collar has not been coined since last July. All the dies used in the coinage of 1891 silver have been destroyed with forge and hammer. Saturday work will be started on coin for the new year.

Not a Whitewash.

LANSING, Mich., Jan. 1.—The Soper investigating committee has reported to Governor Winans, and the report is far from a whitewash of the ex-secretary of state. Perhaps the most damaging testimony the committee found was in connection with the purchase of manual paper, which shows almost exclusively that Soper attempted to get money as a consideration for the purchase of supplies for the state.

Prize Fight Talk.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—The report that Slavin had backed out of the fight with Peter Jackson by claiming that his English backer, George Piesse, had refused to put up the cash, caused a big decline in Slavin stock here. Jackson was greatly enraged at the news, but says he shall continue preparing for the match until he receives notification that the fight is off. He will leave for the east Saturday and see Slavin personally about the match. "I will hold him to his agreement," said Peter, "if he will not fight me in England, he must fight me here."

Abduction and Seduction.

SEDALIA, Mo., Jan. 1.—John W. Evans, secretary and treasurer of the J. West Goodwin Printing company, was arrested Thursday, charged with abduction and seduction. The complainant is Mrs. Joseph Sherubel, nee May Stewart, who was formerly employed in the office as a press feeder. She was then only sixteen years old, and she alleges that she was ruined under promise of marriage by Evans. Evans was released on bonds and says it is a case of blackmail.

DeCliff.

Day Cotton is spending [illegible] visiting at Marion.

Harry Bo[illegible] of Agosta, spent Tuesday with DeCliff friends.

Christmas festivities passed off very pleasantly with DeCliff people.

Senator Bain left DeCliff for Columbus Wednesday [illegible].

Rev. J. W. Dun[illegible], of [illegible], Ohio, visited with D. R. Cotton Monday and Tuesday.

Frank Smith, of [illegible], Ind., is visiting Lee Rager.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee [illegible] spent the Christmas holidays with friends at [illegible], Ohio.

Charley and Albert Roux bought of Wm. Bain forty-five acres of land [illegible] last week.

The DeCliff school has a two weeks' vacation for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Anna Mareness, of Marion, and Miss Mary Lippencott, of LaRue, are visiting the Misses Carrie and Nannie Bain.

The Misses Clara, Nettie, Nellie and Sallie Petty, of Fostoria, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilkinson.

The writer and family and about twenty more ate their Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dusenberry.

Attorney Grant Mouser, of Marion, and Frank Dusenberry, of Columbus, were in town Tuesday on business.

Night Operator Bob Born, of the C. and E., has been granted a month's leave of absence. Mont Marshall, of Agosta, is manipulating the keys in his place.

Agosta's new flouring mill is now ready for business. We understand the entire equipment has been made first class and a heavy trade is anticipated by the proprietors.

A family Christmas tree was gotten up at the pleasant home of Milton Murray on Christmas eve, and a most enjoyable occasion is reported by those present.

The Christmas entertainment at DeCliff, Christmas eve, was an entire success. A full program was prepared and rendered with credit to the participants. The house was packed to full capacity.

The marriage of Albert J. Roux, of DeCliff, and Miss Minnie Marix occurred at the Roux home, just east of DeCliff, December 24th. The happy couple have bright prospects ahead and the writer extends congratulations to both the bride and groom. 'Squire L. H. D. Leader, of Agosta, performed the ceremony.

Dec. 31 JOE SPIKES.

A Sharp Practice

You call it when reading an interesting article and find at its close that you've read an advertisement. Don't condemn the advertiser. You won't read the ordinary advertisement. An advertiser feels this in common with the writer who takes this means of telling you that Simmons Liver Regulator is the best medicine for malaria, impure blood, and a poisoned system. Equally as good for indigestion and costiveness.

Claridon-Adelaide.

Prof. L. J. Smith, of Marion Business college, is spending his vacation in these parts.

Some of the exercises at M. E. church on Thursday evening were very good.

Miss Eva Britton, daughter of ex-Treasurer Lewis Britton, was married on Thursday, Dec 24th, to Mr. Jas. Berry. Both parties are residents of Knox county, but are known to many in our parts.

There were a number of feasts and big dinners in these parts on Christmas day, among which were S. C. Vanderen's, Mrs. S. Smith's, Mrs. S. Harris', Mrs. Jas. Lawrence's, Jno. Howser's and Geo. Williams'; at the latter we were one of the number. To say we had a good time is not half of the story. Mr. and Mrs. W. have just completed a fine new country home and this dinner was a sort of house warming. Their home is a substantial two-story frame residence, situated [illegible] miles from our village. It is all a home need be. It is finely finished and papered throughout. Mr. W. hitched to his wagon on Xmas morning and came for us. We arrived at his home at 10:30 a.m. and at 12:30 p.m. we were seated to partake of as fine a dinner as we have ever enjoyed. Mrs. W. informed us her turkey was of her own breed and weighed twenty pounds after it was killed. To enumerate the good things we enjoyed would take too much space. We were driven back to our village at 4 p.m., all feeling we had spent one bright and happy Xmas.

W. Twaddle lost another horse on Sunday. It got its leg broke and had to be shot. This is the second in three months.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. [illegible] are spending a few days with friends in Morrow county.

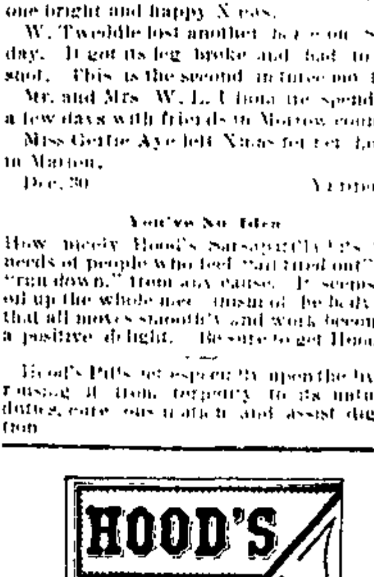
Miss Gertie Aye left Xmas for her home in Marion.

Dec. 30 [illegible]

You've No Idea

How nicely Hood's Sarsaparilla fits the needs of people who feel "all tired out" or "run down," from any cause. It seems to oil up the whole machinery of the body so that all moves smoothly and work becomes a positive delight. Be sure to get Hood's.

Hood's Pills act especially upon the liver, rousing it from torpidity to its natural duties, cure constipation and assist digestion.



The importance of purifying the blood cannot be overestimated, for without pure blood you cannot enjoy good health.

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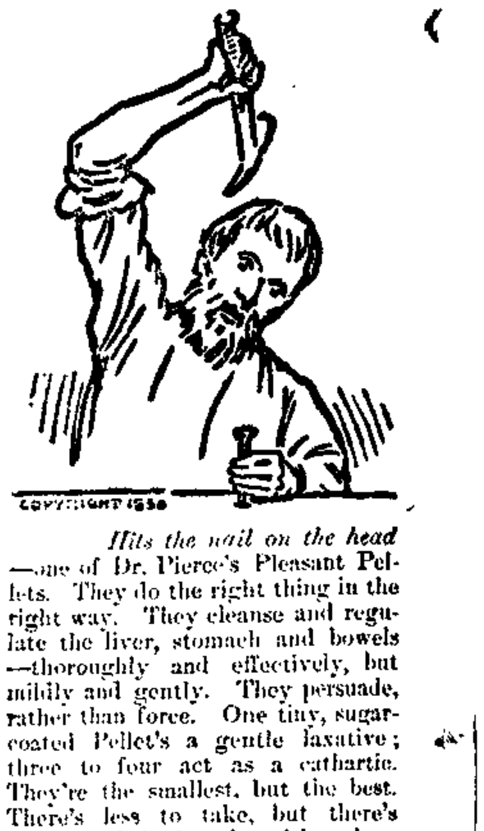

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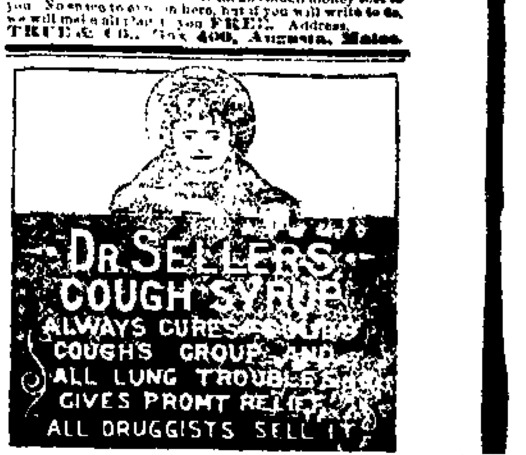

PARADISE ON EARTH.

LOUISE CHANDLER MOULTON WRITES CHARMINGLY OF LES VOIRONS.

A Place in the Sunny South of France Particularly Adapted to Lovemaking, Honeymooning and Luxurious Idleness—Notes of a Recent Visit.

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I SAW the sun rise from the window of the railway carriage as I rattled along on my way from Annecy. We went on slowly, as is the manner of trains in Savoie, stopping at every little station, and I finally reached Bon St. Didier at two minutes past 8 a hungry woman, for whom, after all, nothing better waited than chicory coffee and bad bread. I had to wait till past 1 o'clock p. m. for the Les Voirons wagon, in what was called the restaurant of the station. How to pass those five hours was a problem. Happily I had pen and ink, and I set to work and wrote letters, pausing only to eat a forlorn luncheon of fried veal and sodden potatoes.

To leave Bon St. Didier is of itself enough to raise one's spirits, and I welcomed the "carriage" warmly. I mounted beside the driver and found him a good man and true, properly proud of the beautiful scenery through which he conducts his passengers and which I was ready to admire to his heart's content.

The ten miles which climb from St. Didier to Les Voirons occupy four hours. Looking at the mountain from the valley below, you fancy it must be like climbing a ladder to get to its summit; but the road winds and doubles, and winds and doubles again—and now you face the east and now you face the west—now you are looking at Mont Blanc, and now at the blue waters of Lake Leman smiling below. And as you go on and up, wild flowers thicken about your way, and you get into the sweet breathed shelter of the great fir woods, and your spirits rise with the rising way.

At 5 o'clock you come in sight of the Hermitage—the solitary hotel on this mountain top. The guide book of Savoie tells you it is a "magnificent hotel"—otherwise I should have said it was the simplest and most primitive place imaginable, but thoroughly neat and comfortable, and pervaded by such a spirit of friendly hospitality that you feel at home at once. The view which the hotel commands is the great thing, and that must be a joy forever. On one side is the Alpine range, with Mont Blanc the crowned king of the whole. On the other you look down to Geneva, which seems like a toy village in the distance, to the blue waters of Lake Leman and the mist robed Juras beyond.

The site of this hotel has many a legend connected with it. It is called "The Hermitage," because it was formerly the retreat of certain hermits who founded a convent there. But its traditions go much farther back than that. Long ago, when the world worshiped the gods of Olympus on this very spot, the pagans erected a temple to Venus. In this temple was an oracle of much note, and, long after Christianity had conquered the valleys, Paganism still reigned on these heights and the mountaineers used to come to the Venusberg to consult the oracle. But at last a certain godly bishop of Geneva was so scandalized by these performances that he led a band to overthrow the temple and break the statue of the goddess, and so, henceforth, the oracle was dumb, and poor Venus lost her shelter. But Satan was not disposed to quit his old haunts, so he entered the shape of a wild boar and ravaged the country and tore in pieces all pious travelers who refused to deny the name of Christ and the apostles. But this could not last.

WROTE LETTERS WHILE WAITING.

One day while hunting in the mountains that good Christian, Chevalier Amedee de Langin, encountered this satanic wild boar. The boar devoured the servant of de Langin in a trice and wounded the chevalier himself, when the noble gentleman uttered a vow that if he were delivered from death he would build on the spot a chapel and consecrate it to the Holy Virgin. This excellent offer was accepted by the higher powers, and the wild boar forthwith expired under the sword of the knight. The Sieur de Langin erected the chapel according to his vow, and beside it he built a hermitage, whither he retired from the gay uses of the world and passed the rest of his life in penitence and prayer. In the chapel he set up a statue of the Virgin, of which the figure was black, while the face was gilded. This "Black Virgin," as she was called, worked many miracles, one of which was in favor of a beautiful girl named Brigitta.

Brigitta was a shepherdess, and one of the hermits saw and loved her—for, alas, sin enters sometimes even into the abodes of the holy. Brigitta herded her sheep quite near the Hermitage, which was a pity, for it was putting temptation in the poor hermit's way. Suddenly he rushed out and sought her in his arms, and she cried aloud on the Black Virgin, and with her cry she gave a leap—an awful leap—over the near precipice. The hermits all rushed forth and sought for her, and found her an hour later quite unharmed, for the Black Virgin had sustained her in her fall and deposited her gently at the foot of the precipice. And do I not know that this is true, for I have seen the rock whence she jumped, and they call it to this day the "Saut de la Pucelle"—the Maiden's Leap.

After this wonderful miracle the chapel was repaired and the Black Virgin was set bravely upon her pedestal and people came to seek her favor more numerously than ever. Hermits of high degree sought refuge for their bodies and peace for their souls in the Hermitage, and all went well until 1739, when, the monastery being burned, the hermits had to retire to Annecy and the Black Virgin was taken to a church in Boege, where I believe she reigns still.

Since that time the mountain top of Les Voirons has been given over to more worldly uses, though there is still a chapel there near the ruins of the old one, and the good cure lives in his little house near by and gathers from among the guests of the hotel a small congregation of the faithful for his daily morning mass in the little chapel.

Some years ago, I don't know just how many, Dr. Lombard, of Geneva, wrote a good deal about the immense benefit to be derived from mountain air, and called much attention to Les Voirons, the air of which place seemed to him of so remarkably invigorating a quality that he greatly deplored the absence of any accommodation there for visitors. Thus it came about that one of the mayors of Boege built the hotel called "The Hermitage," and threw open to the public this spot, which I think I may justly call a "Paradise on a Hilltop." The view of Mont Blanc from Chamouny is not at all comparable for beauty with the nearer view from Les Voirons. The prospect there is the noblest and most beautiful I can recall anywhere—indeed it is said by the much traveled to be one of the most beautiful views in the whole world.

On the east is the whole chain of which Mont Blanc is king. And you never see these glorious mountains twice under the same aspect. Sometimes the air is so clear that they seem preternaturally near, and that means that a storm is threatened. Sometimes the lower mountains are covered with clouds, and you would fancy a great inland sea rolled before you, out of which Mont Blanc lifted, like a strange god, his snow crowned front. I have risen to see the golden glories of the sunrise break over these mountain tops. I have lingered to see the afterglow of the sunset flush them with rose color as soft as lines the heart of a sea shell. I have seen them with a full moon hanging in the clear sky and bathing them with pale splendor till they seemed like hills in ghostland. And morning, noon and night their beauty thrills me with an ever fresh surprise.

ALONG THE WINDING ROAD.

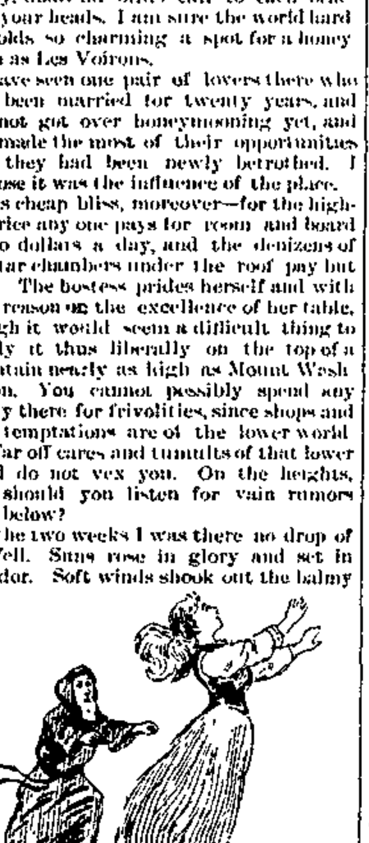
The wonder is that people live here just as they live down in the lower world. I see them flirt and gossip and play billiards, and laugh at bad jokes and smoke their indifferent cigars just as if this were not Paradise, and the gates of some golden heaven did not open just above the heights.

I must own that of all places I have ever seen this would be the very Garden of Eden for lovers. In every direction paths lead up or down among the fir trees—paths soft with the fallen leaves of many a vanished year. The air is full of the sweet, balsamic odor from the myriads of trees. The climbing is just steep enough to give excuse for the constant service of a helping hand; and here and there are seats on which to sit and dream while the tempered sunshine sifts through the green boughs, and the happy, unafraid birds call to each other over your heads. I am sure the world hardly holds so charming a spot for a honeymoon as Les Voirons.

I have seen one pair of lovers there who had been married for twenty years, and had not got over honeymooning yet, and still made the most of their opportunities as if they had been newly betrothed. I suppose it was the influence of the place.

It is cheap bliss, moreover—for the highest price any one pays for room and board is two dollars a day, and the denizens of the star chambers under the roof pay but $1.40. The hostess prides herself and with good reason on the excellence of her table, though it would seem a difficult thing to supply it thus liberally on the top of a mountain nearly as high as Mount Washington. You cannot possibly spend any money there for frivolities, since shops and their temptations are of the lower world. The far off cares and tumults of that lower world do not vex you. On the heights, why should you listen for vain rumors from below?

In the two weeks I was there no drop of rain fell. Suns rose in glory and set in splendor. Soft winds shook out the balmy odors from the balsamy trees; flowers sprang up by the million in the meadows, and I felt like saying to those afar off, "Come hither, for here is the Garden of Eden, and here shall the sad Peri find again the lost Paradise."



THE MAIDEN'S LEAP.

LOUISE CHANDLER MOULTON.

A Polite Warning.

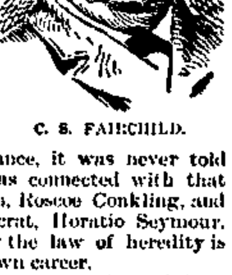
Brutal husbands are not at a premium in Montana. If a man shamefully abuses his wife in Butte, half a yard of crape is tacked on his door as a reminder that any trouble in the future will be followed by a call by an undertaker.

EX-SECRETARY FAIRCHILD.

A Well Known Financier Whose Ancestors Were Able Men.

Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Charles S. Fairchild has been leading a rather quiet life since he quitted the treasury department, but he has been of late brought into considerable prominence by reason of his connection with movements of a semi-political nature. He was one of the most prominent of those who organized in New York city what was called the coalition movement, and it was due in some degree to his influence and high character that the movement assumed the proportions which characterized it. Since then Mr. Fairchild has appeared to the public several times, not as a partisan but in behalf of certain movements looking to the establishment of what were deemed important reforms in municipal administration.

These appearances have led to the belief that Mr. Fairchild might be induced to resume active political life, although he says his career as an office holder is finished; that he is quite content with the record he has made, and rejoices in the work which now demands his attention. A good many sketches of Mr. Fairchild appeared in the public prints at the time when he was conspicuous as a member of Mr. Cleveland's cabinet, but in none of them did certain interesting details appear. For instance, it was never told how closely he was connected with that famous Republican, Roscoe Conkling, and that great Democrat, Horatio Seymour, nor how splendidly the law of heredity is illustrated in his own career.



C. S. FAIRCHILD.

What the career was may be told in a word. He was a graduate of Harvard college, was admitted to the bar, and while still a very young man was elected attorney general of the state of New York on the same ticket with Samuel J. Tilden, who was chosen governor. When President Cleveland formed his cabinet and called Mr. Manning to the head of the treasury department, both the president and Mr. Manning fixed upon Mr. Fairchild as the man especially fitted for the difficult post of first assistant secretary. After the fatality, which in recent years seems to hang over the treasury department, was the lot of Mr. Manning, Mr. Fairchild succeeded him. When Cleveland's administration expired, Mr. Fairchild went to New York, was chosen president of one of the great trust companies on Wall street, and has since administered its affairs with remarkable financial skill.

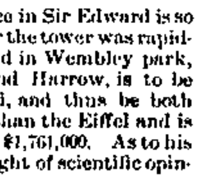
The qualities which have made this career possible are surely the heritage of an unusually able ancestry. Mr. Fairchild's father was Sidney T. Fairchild, a very famous lawyer of central New York. It was he who, riding horseback from village to village, in 1838 got the consent of property holders for the construction of a railway from Syracuse to Utica, which afterward became the central link in the great New York Central road. Mr. Fairchild's abilities as a lawyer caused him to be ranked with the ablest men of a very able bar. He inherited his ability.

His father was John F. Fairchild, one of the pioneers of central New York state, a man of great force of character, whose labors did much toward the opening up of that country. He was a contemporary of Thurlow Weed, and, like him, was a printer. Weed began his career in Rochester when James Madison was president, and did not close it until after General Grant was elected. John F. Fairchild's career was not so long continued, nor did he become so famous as Thurlow Weed, but his political and personal influence in central New York was equally great. Ex-Secretary Fairchild married the daughter of Ledyard Linklian, and through his wife became connected with Roscoe Conkling and Horatio Seymour. Mrs. Conkling was the aunt and Mr. Seymour the uncle of Mrs. Fairchild.

THE CHANNEL TUNNEL PROJECT.

Its Chief Advocate Has Had a Long and Busy Life.

Sir Edward William Watkin, baronet, member of parliament, inventor and railway manager, is one of those sturdy Englishmen who seem to never grow old or discouraged. At the age of seventy-two he does far more routine work than the average young man, amuses his leisure by getting up schemes which amaze the engineers, and looks for their speedy success with all the hopeful vivacity of youth. He insists that a tunnel under the channel, enabling one to drive from Dover to Calais, is both practicable and desirable, and has already begun a tower which is to make the celebrated Eiffel seem a small affair in comparison.



SIR EDWARD WATKIN.

The public confidence in Sir Edward is so great that the stock for the tower was rapidly taken. It is to stand in Wembley park, between Willesden and Harrow, is to be built entirely of steel, and thus be both lighter and stronger than the Eiffel and is expected to cost about $1,761,000. As to his tunnel project the weight of scientific opinion is against him and the military authorities are very much opposed to it on the ground that it would make invasion of England easier. When prizes were offered for plans for the tower sixty-eight designs were presented, one of them from Kansas City. The chief prize, 500 guineas, was awarded to a London firm, and the second, 250 guineas, to one of Liverpool. The tower is to be 1,200 feet high. The Eiffel is 984 feet high and cost $1,400,000.

Sir Edward is a son of the Absalom who, in 1805, established the famous manufactory of gray cloth at Manchester and early in life entered his father's business, but soon left it for railway management, in which he has made a wonderful success. He visited America in 1851, and afterward wrote a work on the country. He was knighted by Disraeli and later was made a baronet. He is quite popular among the laboring classes, having always acted and voted in their interest.

Not So Old as She Claimed.

Here is a blow at the claims to old age often made by people proud of their burden of years. The New York Sun says that Mrs Nancy Kennedy, of Hallowell, Me., who, it was supposed, was 118 years of age, is really only ninety-two. She has always asserted that she was married to a soldier of the Revolution during that war, but Dr. Lapham, the Augusta historian, who has investigated the case, has learned that her husband was a soldier of 1812 and that she was born in 1799.

THE NEW CIRCUIT JUDGES.

Of the Six Appointed Four Are Republicans—All Well Known Men.

President Harrison's six recent appointees under the Evarts law creating nine new circuit courts are all men who have achieved distinction in their own states, and several of them enjoy national reputation. Two of the new judges, Putnam, of Maine, and Dallas, of Pennsylvania, are Democrats.

William Le Baron Putnam, who has been assigned to the First circuit, comprising the districts of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, is one of the best known men in Maine. Born at Bath in 1835 he began the practice of law in Portland in 1858, and was elected mayor of that city in 1859. He was offered an appointment on the state supreme bench in 1883, but declined. He was the Democratic gubernatorial candidate in 1888. He served ably as one of the two commissioners appointed by President Cleveland to assist Secretary of State Bayard in his negotiation of a fishery treaty with Great Britain.

William H. Taft is the youngest of all the appointees, being but thirty-four years of age. He is a son of Alfonso Taft, attorney general under President Grant. He was admitted to the bar in Cincinnati and practiced law there for some time. President Arthur appointed him collector of internal revenue for the First Ohio district in 1882. In 1887 Governor Foraker made him judge of the superior court. He resigned in 1890 to accept the solicitor generalship of the United States, a position which he still holds. His appointment as a circuit judge is regarded as a judicial promotion. This is also true of Judges Shipman and Woods. Judge Taft's new circuit takes in northern and southern Ohio, eastern and western Michigan, eastern, middle and western Tennessee and Kentucky.

Nathaniel Shipman is a native of Connecticut. Soon after his graduation from Yale, in 1848, he began to practice law in Hartford. Since 1873 he has been United States judge for the district of Connecticut, and has made an enviable reputation on the bench. The circuit to which he has been assigned comprises Vermont, Connecticut, northern, southern and eastern New York.

George Mifflin Dallas is a nephew of Polk's vice president, Dallas, for whom he is named. He was born in Pittsburg in 1839. He is considered a good lawyer, and is the author of several legal works. He was a delegate at large to the Pennsylvania constitutional convention of 1873. Judge Dallas' circuit is made up of the districts of New Jersey, Delaware and eastern and western Pennsylvania.

DALLAS. GOFF.
PUTNAM. TAFT.

Nathan Goff, Jr., who will serve on the fourth circuit, comprising the districts of Maryland, West Virginia, North and South Carolina, was born in Clarksburg, W. Va., in 1843. He was a lieutenant in the Union army at eighteen, an adjutant at nineteen and a major of cavalry at twenty. At twenty-two he was admitted to the bar, and immediately went to the legislature. He has since been United States district attorney, congressman and secretary of the navy for a short time. He was the Republican candidate for governor in 1888.

To William A. Woods, now and since 1882 United States district judge of Indiana, has fallen the seventh circuit, consisting of the districts of eastern and western Wisconsin, northern Illinois and Indiana. Judge Woods is a native of Tennessee, but removed to Indiana at an early age. He is now fifty-five. He has been successively state circuit judge, judge of the state supreme court and United States district judge.

A Gorgeous Imperial Villa.

Despite her sorrows and disappointments, the empress of Austria still has an eye to the comforts of life. Her new villa at Corfu is called the Achilleion, and is decorated with scenes representing the life of the Greek hero. The Pompeiian style of the rooms well agrees with these frescoes, where Achilles is shown first as a child, and his history followed up to his reunion with Polyxena in the other world, a verse by Bulwer being written over the last picture—"Fame and beauty wed together in the isle of happy souls." The whole house and gardens are lighted by electricity, while telephones and other signals connect the villa with the town and the imperial yacht in the harbor.

The Liberia Experiment.

News is anxiously awaited by southern colored people from the negro emigrants who recently went to Liberia. They discredit newspaper reports, but want to see letters telling about Liberia and its people and the ways of living, and the prospect of getting along there. If the letters sent by the colored emigrants are favorable, they will stimulate further emigration to the Liberian republic.

Won by a California Girl.

California is delighted, and quite naturally, too, over the triumph of Miss Alice Rideout, who has won the prize in the competition for the artistic work on the Women's World's Fair building. She is a native of the state, is very young for such an honor, is fairly good looking and a—well, since it has become a fad, they call such a woman a "siffleuse," but the old term was a "whistling girl." As an amateur in that line she is a charming success.

She was born at Marysville, and had no encouragement to take to art, but did modeling in clay so naturally that her genius had its way. One day in San Francisco her pet dog broke a plaster bust, and she mended it so skillfully that the artist at once agreed to instruct her. She has worked hard and turned out several beautiful pieces of statuary. She sent to the Chicago committee a small model of the great 40-foot alto relievo panel that is to be, and it gained her the prize.

ALICE RIDEOUT.

A NOTICE TO LEAVE.

SERVED ON PREMIER MERCIER, OF QUEBEC, BY HIS OPPONENTS.

The Sensation of Canadian Political History—Biographical Sketch of the Dismissed Statesman—His Career a Long and Conspicuous One.

The dismissal of Hon Honore Mercier, premier of the province of Quebec, with part of his cabinet, under charges of "gross corruption," is probably the most startling and, in many respects, the most embarrassing occurrence in all the political history of British America.

Three judges, named as a royal commission to investigate, have declared that Mercier and his friends received a bribe of $100,000 for selling the Baie des Chaleurs railway, and that this was only the last of many scandalous transactions. Under the system established there Lieutenant Governor Angers directed Hon. Mr. De Boucherville to form a new ministry, and as the Liberal party (of which Mercier was a nominal member) is as yet a majority in in the parliament, a dissolution is expected and a general election in February. It is also believed that the dismissed officials will be criminally prosecuted, the Conservatives alleging that the Mercier cabinet "absorbed" at least $1,200,000.

HONORE MERCIER.

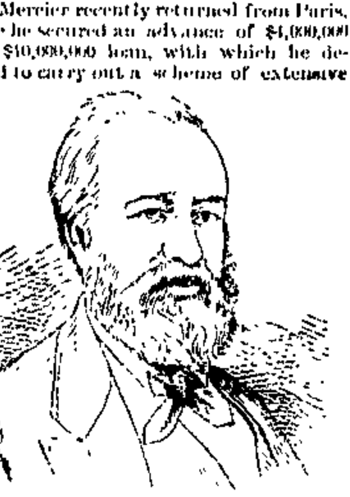
The Hon. Honore Mercier, Q.C., D. C. L., representative of St. Hyacinthe in the Quebec legislature and ex-premier of the province, was born at Iberville, P. Q., Oct. 15, 1840, his father being one of the pioneers of that district. The lad, who early in life gave evidence of considerable power, received a thorough classical education at the Jesuit college in Montreal, and afterward studied law, being admitted to practice in 1865.

In 1862 he commenced a paper which he edited in support of the Macdonald-Sicotte government. On May 29, 1866, he married a lady of St. Hyacinthe, who died after a very brief wedded life, and on May 9, 1871, he married Miss Virginie St. Denis, of the same town. In this same year, 1871, he entered political life as a supporter of the Liberal candidate for Bagot, M. Francois Langelier, and the next year he became first the candidate and then the member for Rouville. The Conservative government fell in 1873, and in order to prevent the return of the government candidate for Rouville, M. Gigault, M. Mercier retired in favor of M. Cheval at the ensuing election.

At the election of 1878, M. Mercier was defeated by six votes, but on June 3, 1879, he was the successful candidate for the town of St. Hyacinthe for the legislative assembly of Quebec, and was admitted into the Joly administration as solicitor general on the decease of the late Hon. P. Bachand. In 1881 he moved his professional business to Montreal, and in the same year he was re-elected by his old constituency by acclamation. In 1883 M. Joly retired from the leadership of the opposition, and on his suggestion M. Mercier was elected as his successor. When in 1886 the Ross-Taillon administration fell, M. Mercier became premier, with a strong majority in the house of assembly, and so remained till the late explosion.

In 1887 the Quebec legislature passed an act incorporating the Society of Jesus in that province, which act became law in due course. Elated with their success, the leaders of the order asked for more, and an act was passed endowing the order with a grant of $400,000, to be paid from the provincial treasury.

M. Mercier recently returned from Paris, where he secured an advance of $4,000,000 on a $10,000,000 loan, with which he designed to carry out a scheme of extensive internal improvements in the province. He proposed to build bridges, make roads, erect public buildings and to make strong efforts to open up Quebec and promote trade.



C. E. B. BOUCHERVILLE.

While in Paris he was received with marked attention by the leading statesmen and politicians. He went to Rome and was received with honor by the pope, being granted several audiences. His holiness conferred upon M. Mercier the title of count of the holy Roman empire. The king of Belgium gave the premier several audiences and entertained him at luncheon. Since his dismissal it is announced from Quebec that the foreign loan will probably fail, and so the province is violently agitated.

The Triumph of Intellect.

Man is not a particularly strong creation. Brutes of less than his size have more muscle. It is in mentality that he excels, and by the use of brains he has subdued all other living things to his mastery. The horse, the elephant, the camel and the dog are his devoted servants. And when it comes to inanimate nature his triumphs are equally great. His will bends everything to its purpose, and invention treads on the heels of invention, till it seems that wonders will never cease. One of the latest remarkable mechanical devices is a machine in a steel mill at Newburn, England, that will shear an ingot of steel thirty inches in width and twelve inches in thickness. A mighty foot holds an ingot in place, and the knife descends and snips off a piece as a boy cuts candy. Hydraulic power is used, and the cut can be made in about three seconds.

HAS HAD A VARIED CAREER.

Experiences of Hon. Stephen B. Elkins, the New Secretary of War.

Stephen Benton Elkins, the new secretary of war, is in every sense of the word a self made man. He was born in Perry county, O., in 1841, but went to live in Missouri while a mere boy. He studied law and graduated from the university of the state in 1860. Two years, 1862 and 1863, he passed in the Union army as a captain, and he was not admitted to the bar until 1864. He had heard glowing accounts of the territory of New Mexico and he determined to migrate thither. From the day when he "hung out his shingle" in that sparsely settled country the story of his life reads like a romance. He began the study of Spanish, believing that it would greatly aid him in his future career.

STEPHEN B. ELKINS.

Subsequent events have borne out his judgment on this point. In 1864 he was elected to the territorial legislature, and in the following year he became attorney general. President Andrew Johnson a short time later appointed him United States attorney for the territory. He obtained great repute by his work in breaking up the peon system, which was practically slavery. He was elected delegate to congress in 1872, and again two years later during his absence in Europe. In 1876 he was made a member of the Republican national committee, and first obtained general prominence by his work in securing the presidential nomination for Blaine in 1884. He was then elected chairman of the campaign committee of his party. He was married to a daughter of ex-Senator Davis, of West Virginia, in 1875. His interests of late years have been mainly confined to West Virginia. Mr. Elkins is a man of large stature and tremendous physical and mental energy. He has several children.

A VETERAN LAWMAKER.

Although Nearly Eighty Years Old Ex-Senator Trumbull Is Vigorous.

Ex-Senator Lyman Trumbull has been long out of politics, but he is still active in the practice of law. At his office at 115 Monroe street, Chicago, he may be found during the business hours of every day, erect and vigorous in spite of his seventy-eight years, genial in spite of many hard battles, looking upon the world without austerity and expressing himself with all the vivacity of youth.

HON. LYMAN TRUMBULL.

He was born at Colchester, Conn., became a teacher at sixteen, and at twenty was the principal of an academy at Greenville, Ga. A few years later, having been admitted to the bar, he located at Belleville, St. Clair county, Ills., since which time he has been successively member of the legislature, secretary of state, judge of the supreme court, congressman elect and for three terms United States senator. Last of all he was Democratic candidate for governor in 1880, but "that wasn't their year."

It was Trumbull who defeated Abraham Lincoln for senator in 1855. He had been a Democrat all his life and as such was elected to congress in 1854, an "anti-Nebraska Democrat." In the legislature were a few of the same kind, such as John M. Palmer and Norman B. Judd, who would not vote for a Whig or a "Nebraska" Democrat. They stood out for Trumbull, and finally the Whigs went over to them. He was re-elected in 1861 and 1866, and was the author of the civil rights bill, but voted against the impeachment of Andrew Johnson and was "retired."

Not Made to Last.

According to experts the printed records of today are extremely perishable. One who claims to know declares that they "will fall to pieces before the middle of the next century. The paper in the books that have survived two or three centuries was made by hand of honest rags and without the use of strong chemicals, while the ink was made of nut galls. Today much of the paper for books is made, at least in part, of wood pulp treated with powerful acids, while the ink is a compound of various substances naturally at war with the flimsy paper upon which it is laid. The printing of two centuries ago has improved with age; that of today, it is feared, will within fifty years have eaten its way through the pages upon which it is impressed."

An Idol in New Quarters.

So it seems that Juggernaut is still a potent force in India. People generally thought that he retired when the British gained supremacy. The famous Hindoo god has grown weary of his original home at Puri, where his worship has been carried on for seven centuries. He informed an old woman in a dream that he intended to move elsewhere for a change, so say the native journals, and he has now taken up his abode at Santipur. A gorgeous temple is being built for Juggernaut's new shrine.

Dislike Russians and Chinese.

A gentleman who recently returned to the United States from Japan says that the natives of the island kingdom dislike the Russians and the Chinese, but like the Americans and the English. They are fearful of the aggressions of the Russians in Corea and of the Chinese in the islands that lie south of Japan, but they do not look for any act of aggression by the United States or by England.

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The crank that wanted to kill Geo. W. Childs needs a stronger name to describe him. The more rich men that are like George W. Childs the better will be the world.

The LaRue News has completed its fifteenth year. The News is now much the best newspaper that LaRue has ever had and would be a creditable sheet to a village much larger.

As the Mansfield News suggests, there would be no doubt about the Kansas senatorship if D. B. Hill were governor of that state. He would appoint himself and then draw the salary of two offices until his successor was elected.

Along with news relating to the coming presidential canvass, comes the expressed expectation of Belva Lockwood to run again for the party of woman's rights. If there is anything in the "early bird getting the worm, etc." Belva is in it.

Among the officials to retire from the court house next week will be Commissioner Loyer. If there is any severe grief at Mr. Loyer's retirement it has not developed. We wish we could record otherwise but some officials insist on being unpopular.

The present congress has already been dubbed the five-cent congress. The last one was the billion dollar congress, which was explained by Secretary Foster on the ground that this is a billion dollar country. It isn't a five-cent country at any rate, and stinginess in appropriations will not be popular even in a presidential year.

The reports from Columbus give proof of the uncertainty of politics. Mr. Sherman's friends are absolutely claiming his reelection, and sincerely no doubt, while Gov. Foraker's friends assert that he will be reelected and we know that there is perfect honesty in their confidence. There is deception somewhere, of course. In politics it is even dangerous to rely upon results, for they may even change.

The people will be humbugged. A Marietta doctor was recently heard to say, as he lay upon his death bed, that the most of his money had been made by curing diseases which people did not have. They insisted that they had them and he simply took their word for it, keeping his own private opinion to himself. A good many local physicians would corroborate this statement if they would but testify the truth, but the code of ethics prevents the giving of such testimony.

Senator Sherman's own statement that he is a candidate because Chas. Foster and Gov. McKinley requested it, is enough to argue his defeat. That means that he is a candidate, with his federal following, simply to stand in the way of the brilliant Foraker until others are ready to walk in the Mansfield statesman's shoes. And this, too, after Foraker has repeatedly supported Sherman for the presidency and held the state as a unit for him when no other man could have done so. Mr. Sherman has no gratitude. He never did have, and the hustling Republicans of Ohio do not relish the spectacle of one who has been repeatedly honored standing in the way of the most zealous and able Republicans in the state. Perhaps old jealousies among Ohio statesmen will not cut as big a figure in the senatorial election as some might wish.

The Democratic victory won in New York in November has been completed in the courts, under the careful direction of D. B. Hill, and the Republican wreck now stands out in all its desolation. The cold-blooded New York Republicans, with their dangerous jealousies and mugwump tendencies are deeply in the political tureen and it is difficult to imagine a cyclone of political determination that will rescue them. The New York Democrats have the general assembly, they will reapportion the state both as to congressional and legislative districts, and that the party will be fortified in power is not to be doubted by any who know of the greed of the Tammany tiger. It is even possible that the state will be Michiganized as to presidential electors, the meanest political trick that is known to unfair partisanship.

It is not important that unfairness and trickery have had much to do with Hill's victory. The Republicans have none to blame but themselves. There is no excuse for the far reaching Democratic victory except the neglect and indifference of the Republicans, for Tammany was surprised in the extent of her success. And today, the same Republicans who have almost irretrievably lost New York, are poking their noses into the Ohio senatorial contest, whining that the party is lost if the live, wide awake hustlers retire John Sherman. New Yorkers have plenty to keep them busy at home.

The readers of the State Journal will not care to bet on its senatorial utterances just now. The Journal has a senatorial jag on just now—that is it is intoxicated with false hopes and ideas. It will recover next week.

RAILROAD SAYINGS

That Are Desirable for Publication—Both Personal and Local.

The veteran clerk, Henry Springer, is still absent from his desk at the C. and E. freight house, and his condition remains about the same. It is hoped that he may soon be able to again resume his duties with his old efficiency.

Willie Klinefelter, baggagemaster at the C. and E., is still looking after entertainment in Chicago, which is enough to convince anyone that the rumor relating to the mayor's order of abolishing free lunches in that city is false.

Frank Pixley, night operator at the C., H. V. and T., returned here Monday night from Columbus, where he has been quite sick for the past month. W. D. Drake, the night man at the C. and E. yard office is also back at work again after a serious sickness.

The C. and E. has commenced work on the new additions to be made in the yard facilities. Hundreds of car-loads of ground are being hauled from the cut west of Huntington and dumped in the yards along the line to use in the laying of new tracks. The improvements now under way will greatly enable this road to take care of its immense business.

The passenger earnings of the Columbus, Hocking Valley and Toledo for 1891 will show an increase of upward of $75,000 over those of 1890. This is a handsome showing, and General Passenger Agent Fisher has reason to be proud of it. The earnings of his department last year were very large, and the increase this year shows a healthy development of the traffic. The excursion business for the year was unusually heavy, but the local business was not neglected, and the returns from that source show a marked gain. It will require considerable effort to keep up the record for 1892, but it is believed the department will be equal to the emergency. The department is placed at a disadvantage by the reduction of rates for clergymen from 2 cents a mile to half fare, which takes effect January 1st. Heretofore the department has issued clergymen's orders to all ministers applying for them, but the reduction makes it necessary to restrict them to clergymen along the line of the road. The reduction was forced by the Pennsylvania company, and passenger men claim it was done for the purpose of making the clergymen's orders obnoxious and thus bringing about a movement to abolish them.

Small Yard Wreck.

A small wreck occurred in the east end of the Erie yards Monday afternoon about 3 o'clock. Meat train No. 90, in charge of Conductor Zimmerman and Engineer Fluent, ran into a cut of cars near the Huber shops.

The yard crew, in charge of Foreman Jary and Engineer Boalt, was making an effort to put the cut of cars on the Huber siding, when train 90 crashed into them, not being under control. The head of engine 600, pulling 90, was stove in, her pilot knocked off and otherwise disabled. The trucks of two or three cars were knocked completely out from beneath the cars, but the damage is not extensive.

The meat train was late and the yard crew had no knowledge of its approach until it was onto them, while the meat train was beyond control. The accident occurred in such a place that the siding could be used to avoid delay of any trains.

Death in North Marion.

Mrs. George L. Phelps died at her home on north Main street Saturday at 3 o'clock a. m., aged 58 years. Deceased has lived in Marion about twenty years, and suffered a stroke of paralysis about eleven weeks ago, from the effects of which she died. She leaves a husband and one son.

Funeral services occurred Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the Church of Christ.

The remains of Mr. Funk, an aged citizen of near Green Camp, were brought here Wednesday and placed in the Marion cemetery vault to await burial. This gentleman died Monday night.

S. G. Kleinmaier left Wednesday for Cleveland to join his wife, who has been visiting there for some time. Both Mr. Kleinmaier and his wife will return home next Monday.

The powder and dynamite in store in the Oak Hill magazines at times reaches the total of twenty thousand pounds. Oak Hill is a great place for lightning to play.

License were issued Wednesday for the marriage of J. H. Bartram and Miss Florence G. Whipps, which occurs at the home of the bride's parents this evening.

Robert Fenton's condition is somewhat improved, but it will be a week or more before he will be able to get out of the house again.

Miss Maud Reed, of Galion, quite well and popularly known in this city, is the guest of Miss Maud Doty, on west Center street.

Miss Laura Silverthorn has gone to Iberia to spend a couple months at the home of her brother.

Sol Weiser has recovered sufficiently from the grip to again be about his work at Saiter's.

J. G. Leiffer, the grocer, is out again, after a week's confinement with the grip.

CONSECRATED TO GOD

FORMAL DEDICATION OF THE HANDSOME EPWORTH M. E. CHURCH

Bishop I. W. Joyce Delivers a Masterly Sermon on "The Incarnation"—Fifteen Hundred People Participate in the Services—The New Church Free From Indebtedness.

Sunday closed a happy day to members of the congregation of the M. E. church in this city, while friends of the society were equally pleased. It was the day set apart for the formal dedication of the handsome new Epworth church building—its consecration to the services of the Lord.

Laudatory reference here to the new edifice would be a repetition of what has already been said. It is sufficient then to say that members of the church feel a pardonable pride in their new church home, while it is equally a credit to the city generally. The expense of the building is in round figures, including ground, $50,000, and is now entirely free from indebtedness. The balance to be raised Sunday was $11,000, $6300 of which was subscribed at the morning services, and the $4700 remaining was secured during the evening before the formal dedicatory services were held, being a necessary conformity to the rules of the church.

Bishop I. W. Joyce, D. D., of Chattanooga, Tenn., was present according to announcement and conducted the services, which opened in the forenoon to an audience estimated at fully fifteen hundred people, occupying the entire capacity of the large auditorium. The Presbyterian, German M. E., Evangelical and Regular Baptist congregations, out of christian courtesy, dispensed with their morning services, giving members of their congregations the opportunity of attending the dedicatory services. Members of the Presbyterian choir also assisted with the music, joining the Epworth choir in rendering music appropriate to the important event.

Among the ministers present from abroad, who assisted in the exercises, were Rev. Dr. Newton, of Delta, Ohio, former pastor in this city, Rev. George Wiltsee, of Upper Sandusky, and Rev. Will Magruder, of Cincinnati.

Bishop Joyce read for his text from the VIII chapter of II Corinthians, 9th verse: "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor that ye, through his poverty, might be rich." His subject was "The Incarnation," and it was a great gospel sermon, the masterly effort of a scholarly minister. The sermon was followed by a thorough canvass for subscriptions with the result as mentioned above.

The evening services were devoid of discourse, the sermon being dispensed with. A scripture lesson was read, followed by devotional exercises. The work of raising the balance due on the building, $4700, was conducted by the bishop, and he proved himself ably fitted as an inspiration to liberality. The amount was guaranteed and then followed the formal dedicatory exercises, which were quite lengthy.

Miss Davis presided at the organ during the exercises and won favor from the large audience by her artistic work. The choir, too, was at its best and greatly pleased all with its efforts.

Altogether it was an auspicious formal opening of the new edifice for church services, which presages great moral good to the community. "Peace be within thy walls."

Louisiana Lottery Profits.

The history and the exact methods of the conduct of the business of the Louisiana Lottery company have, we believe, never been explained in brief compass until the January number of The Forum presented the complete history of the company by one of the founders of the Anti-Lottery league and the editor of the anti-lottery organ of New Orleans. From this narrative it appears that the lottery company was organized by a charter given by the reconstruction legislature of the state, and the successive stages of its growth are all explained up to the time when it has now put a ticket of its own in the field with the hope of renewing its charter for another twenty five years. The total amount of money taken in by the lottery per annum if all its tickets are sold is $28,000,000, and the largest possible amount that can be drawn by the holders of the tickets is a little more than $14,000,000; so that the lottery puts into its own coffers about 47 per cent. of all the money that it receives, and this sum in years when the sale of its tickets is good amounts to $13,000,000 or more.

Ensminger Harvey Marriage.

A pleasant event occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Harvey, on east Center street, Christmas eve, being the marriage of their daughter, Ida L., and Marion F. Ensminger, a well known young man of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. Wallace, of the M. E. church, in the presence of about one hundred invited guests, friends and relatives of the couple. A wedding feast and the usual amenities of such occasions marked the evening as one of enjoyment.

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FREE BAPTIST DEDICATION

The Refitted and Refurnished Sunday School Room Dedicated Anew to the Lord's Service.

The regular preaching service at the Free Baptist church, on Center street, was omitted Sunday evening, Dec. 27th, giving way to a dedication exercise in the Sunday school room below. This room has been newly painted, papered, carpeted and furnished with chairs in place of the old benches, that were originally made for the former Baptist church on Mill street, and have since served twenty-five years in the present church building.

When the room was thrown open for admission Sunday night the surprise was great at the transformation these changes had made. Opposite the entrance was hung the mottos in large, white letters on a crimson background, "Christ Our King." The choir opened the services by singing, "Come Thou Almighty King."

The school had cheerfully dispensed with the usual Christmas display, preferring to use the money on these improvements, so a part of the exercises were of a Christmas nature, singing and recitations by the school and remarks by the pastor, Rev. B. F. Zell, and Miss Anna Fite, superintendent of the school. For the past six months a roll of honor has been kept. Each member of the school who had been present every Sabbath was entitled to a badge of honor. As the superintendent called the names of those upon the roll they passed down the aisle, beneath an evergreen arch and received their badges. Two scholars deserve the highest honor for attendance, having been present every Sabbath during the year 1891. They are Miss Belle Lewis and Mr. Cornell Beerbower.

One month ago, when these improvements were decided upon, it was agreed that in addition to the subscription circulated among the church members for money to meet these expenses, each Sunday school class should try to raise all that was possible among themselves. Sunday night the offerings were brought in and the result was unexpected and most gratifying. It was found Miss Nettie Fite's class had raised nearly twenty dollars, the largest sum among all the offerings. Every class did nobly, giving evidence of much energy and self-denial. The main source of inspiration in this good work coming from their zealous, enthusiastic superintendent, Miss Anna Fite, whose generous example stimulated and directed the school.

Miss Cora Patton, the treasurer, read the amount of the class collections and that with the evening collection, among the friends and visitors present, brought the pleasing total of $100.

The meeting was closed with prayer by the pastor, humbly dedicating the room anew to the Lord's service, and not the room alone, but heart, hand and life of the willing workers.

"Set apart for His delight,
Chosen for His holy pleasure,
Sealed to be His special treasure!
Could we choose a nobler joy?
And would we, if we might?"

"HAD THE GRIP"

That is the Reason the Bellefontaine Scrapper Gives for His Non Appearance.

The Marion Athletic club was greatly disappointed Tuesday evening. The advertised sparring match between Charles Mitchell, of Kenton, and George Archer, of Bellefontaine, did not take place, for the reason that the Bellefontaine boy did not show up. In a letter received at 6 o'clock Tuesday evening Archer explained that he had been sick for a week with the grip, and that his physician advised him not to appear. After learning this the club endeavored to get an amateur to meet Mitchell.

The audience at Music Hall was not large, but there was evidence that there would have been a good attendance at the entertainment had the principal performers been expected. Some impromptu matches were arranged between members of the club, among them being that between Hecker and Mitchell, the club's instructor, which afforded the feature of amusement. After an hour or so of this sport the tickets were returned to members of the audience and another entertainment promised.

Archer in his letter expressed a willingness to make the match within a week or ten days. If he puts up a forfeit the club will probably make the necessary arrangement, and if not some one else will likely be secured in his stead.

Ignited from the Lamp.

Saturday Mrs. Kate Bornaman, residing on south High street, met with quite a painful accident although not serious. She set a lamp on a stand near the window and left the room, and was alarmed by the screams of her child and hurriedly returning to the room she discovered the curtains and stand to be in flames. In her endeavor to extinguish the flames the carpet ignited and her hair, face, arms and hands were badly burned. A couple of gentlemen who live near her residence were attracted to the scene and threw a shawl or cloth over her head and smothered out the flames of her burning hair. The stand on which the lamp stood was made of rope and was completely destroyed. The curtains had been ignited from the lamp and caused the lady's injuries.

A Couple of Marriages.

Mr. A. B. Cummins, of the Marion Manufacturing company, and Emma L. Uncapher were married in the presence of a few selected friends on the 23rd inst., Rev. B. F. Zell officiating.

Mr. Geo. H. Gorman, of Findlay, and Miss Estella Kennedy, of LaRue, were married at the Free Baptist parsonage, 540 east South street, on the 24th inst., Rev. B. F. Zell officiating.

SHERIFF KELLY'S RETIREMENT.

S. B. Rice Will Assume the Official Ermine Monday—Recorder Harraman Also Steps Down.

Sheriff Kelly is busy this week in settling up business matters pertaining to his office and preparing to remove his family from the jail residence to his north West street home. The building will be vacated in readiness for Sheriff Rice's occupancy by Monday.

Mr. Kelly retires from all official connection with the sheriff's office Monday. It may be very truthfully remarked in this connection that no county official has ever left the sheriff's office or any other with greater popularity than Mr. Kelly. His four years in that office has resulted in more friendships and fewer enemies than probably any other occupant. The sheriff's office is in touch with the public in all classes, and to all classes the retiring sheriff has been uniformly courteous and agreeable, without detracting in the least from his firmness and business qualifications. In fact the prompt transaction of the business of the office has added considerable to his popularity. Mr. Kelly does not know positively what business he will engage in.

Recorder Harraman also retires from official connection with his office Monday, after a very popular and successful administration of affairs in that department of the county's business.

THE DEUTSCHER BUND.

Over Two Hundred German Citizens Are Entertained Tuesday Evening.

The members of the Marion Deutscher Bund celebrated Yule-tide at M. E. Meily's Tuesday night in a most appropriate manner. There was an interesting program in German, dancing and a general good time. One of the features of the evening was a Christmas tree, on which were prizes that were drawn according to numbers by the members of the society.

A stage was fitted up in one end of the room, with all equipments in the way of scenery and furniture, and there was given a theatrical performance in German, which was not only novel but something new and interesting. From the stage was also heard the recitations and the other numbers of the program.

The rendering of the old-time popular German National Airs also had a good share of the evening, and it is safe to say that no more pleasant evening was ever spent than that enjoyed with the members of the Deutscher Bund in their merry-making Tuesday evening.

Dr. C. Pancoast Gailey has examined more than 125 persons in the last six weeks and will continue to make examinations free to all who care to present themselves in the afternoon, until next Wednesday, when he leaves for Philadelphia, where he will resume his medical lectures. Mrs. Gaily will accompany the doctor this time. By the way, the doctor's examinations have been of decided interest to those who have undergone them, and of great interest to him. He has examined none of greater interest, however, than many of the inmates of the insane asylum at Columbus Tuesday.

The members of Mizpah Encampment, I. O. O. F., conferred the three degrees of the order on R. T. Parkinson Tuesday evening. The whole order is never conferred at one meeting only at such times when it is extremely necessary, as it was in this case, when Mr. Parkinson wished the degrees before he started out on a several months' tour in the interest of the Marion Manufacturing company. Quite a number of visitors from other places were here to witness the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Osborne came in from Frankfort, Ind., Tuesday night. Mr. Osborne continued his journey to Prospect Wednesday, but returned to Frankfort in the evening. Mrs. Osborne will remain here for some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Linder.

The entire family of William Ladd have been confined to their beds with a very severe case of grip, but are now on a fair road to recovery under the care of Dr. Maddox.

M. B. Chase is confined to his home on the hill with an attack of the prevailing grip.

Green Camp.

Jesse Walker writes home that he is enjoying himself down in the gulf country. Jesse says that he is regaling himself on raw oysters right out of the shell, but Dessie tells it that "Papa is eating raw turtles right out of their shells."

Our Sunday schools had a good time Christmas eve in spite of the grip and the ugly weather Brother Porter is giving us these days.

Many of those who have been prostrated with the grip are getting better, but others are succombing to this latest and most vicious enemy of human happiness. Our doctors are busy day and night. So far, we are glad to report no deaths.

Tom Uncapher's house caught on fire on Thursday of last week and was partly consumed before the fire was extinguished. Tom's loss from fire and water is considerable, but he is fortunate in not losing all.

Russie Leaverton wished out loud that Santa would bring him a pair of skates and a sled, but when we all got through with him he no doubt wished that had been more prudent than to talk of skates and sleds such a winter as this. Palm leaf fans, straw hats and linen dusters would be more in order.

If our young ladies are not sweet hereafter it won't be for lack of candy. One of our stores day before Christmas sold 250 pounds of candy, and all for the girls.

Will you allow the Widder to show her talent (a burried one hitherto) as a "funny paragrapher." Here is a starter:

Smith (lately married)—"Say, Jones, I am anxious to build a bridge over a very turbulant matrimonial sea."

Jones—"What kind of a bridge do you think of erecting, pard?"

Smith—"Cantilever."

Dec. 28. THE WIDDER.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

To each and all we most heartily
happy New Year, and may it be p
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goods at our store would add
prosperity, but that you must de
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LOCAL NEWS.

William Hughey is among those who are sick with the grip.

Burt Thomas, of Mt. Gilead, was the guest of his brother, Ed. Thomas.

George W. Robertson was at Galion and Mt. Gilead Monday on business.

Mrs. Sam'l Bell is visiting her parents in Union county for a few days.

Mrs. Dan'l Marshman, of Corsica, O., was a guest of her brother, Dr. Harding.

Mrs. A. G. Upp is among those who have been suffering the past week with grip.

Mrs. Rev. Wallace left Tuesday for Toledo, to remain a week with her sick sister.

Dr. C. Pancoast Gailey and family spent Monday at Columbus, visiting friends.

Phillip Firstenberger, residing south of Marion, is quite seriously ill with an attack of milk sickness.

Miss Harriet Osgood, of Columbus, was spending a week with Miss Florence Durfee, south Main street.

Meade Renfrew came down from Cleveland Thursday of last week to spend a couple days at the home of his

Mrs. P. J. Washburn and daughter, Ollie, spent Christmas in Bucyrus, the guests of Mr and Mrs. I. P. Blackburn.

The work on the sewer construction has nearly reached the crossing of the C., H. V. and T. on west Center street.

Mrs. Joe Short, residing two miles east of Marion, is seriously ill with la grippe, complicated with lung trouble

Mrs. A. C. King, of Warrenton, was visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. B. Cusick, and also Mr. Ed Molloy and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Schwartz have been on a week's visit with Mrs. Schwartz's brother, Rev. Keller, at Bellevue, O.

Frank S. Whipp and wife, of Germantown, Ohio, are spending the holidays with Mr. Whipp's brother and family, on west Canal street.

Howard C. Jury and Miss Minnie Woodruff left at noon to attend the wedding reception of Byron C. Jury, near Upper Sandusky.

Mrs. James Greaney and children and Miss Mary Greany, of Columbus, were guests at the home of T. J. Greaney, on north West street last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Snyder and family, of Canton, O., are visiting Mr. Snyder's sister, Mrs. John H. Snider, at the corner of Garden and South streets.

Mrs. Edward Pratt, of Claire, Mich., and Mrs. Leduke, of East Saginaw, Mich., are guests of their sister, Mrs. Ezra C. Columbus, for a few days.

George H. Gorman and Estella Kennedy were licensed to marry Thursday Dec. 24th. William H. Johnson and Fanny Robinson, colored, were licensed Saturday.

H. M. Nelson and wife, of Findlay, and Mrs. Sloan, Miss Fike and Miss Ward, of Ashland, spent Christmas with M. Nelson and family, and remained over Sunday.

Rev. E. B. Shumaker wife and son, of Fremont, Ohio, Isaac Groff, wife and daughter, of Lancaster, Ohio, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Shumaker of this place.

A handsome Christmas present was given to Mr. and Mrs. John Crawley, of Kensington Place, in the presentation of a 9½ pound son. Pap Crawley weighs 1500. The youngster's voting title is Randolph Crawley.

Dr. Rhu Monday afternoon removed a large cancerous growth from the back of John Moner, who lives about eight miles east of Marion. The operation was quite successful and furnished great relief to the patient.

Manager Spotts, of the Lippy Cash Carrier company of Canton, Ohio, erected a new line in the Boston Store today. It is merely on trial and if satisfactory the present system will be replaced throughout the store by the new system.

Wm Stallsmith, who has been working at the carpenter trade during the summer and fall at Owens, is at his home on orchard street. Mr. Stallsmith has been layed up a short time as the result of an accident received recently. While handling some heavy timbers a piece fell upon his breast, injuring him quite painfully.

An alarm of fire was given Monday evening about 8 o'clock, which turned out to be in the building on Kenton avenue occupied by Mrs. Henderson's barber shop. The department made a response but its services were not needed, the fire, which was a small blaze in the roof, being extinguished without its aid The fire caught from a defective flue.

Nick Iler and Ned Burke, the well-known specialty team, arrived in the city Thursday Dec. 24, to spend the holidays at their homes. Willie Randall did not accompany them, going to Cleveland to fill an engagement. The boys had a successful season with Lucier's minstrels, and made a hit in special engagements in Canada. They leave Monday, January 4th, for the South, where they play dates.

Contractor Apt and W. and J. F. Prendergast are busy planning the new planing mill that is to be erected in the place of the shell left by the recent fire. The new structure will be something like 50 by 100 feet in dimensions, one story, with brick walls as near fire proof as possible, with the engine room wholly isolated from the main building. The turning and bracket factory will be removed from its present site and used for a storing house.

Sheriff Kelly made a business trip to Columbus Monday.

Frank Johnston, wife and son visited at Columbus Monday.

Lawrence Idleman is up from Delaware to visit friends.

John Toben spent Sunday with his parents near Woodland.

Mrs. J. N. Matthews is confined to her home with a case of the grip.

D. W. Kesler and wife spent Saturday with friends at Ashland, Ohio.

Mrs. C. Augustine is quite sick with la grippe, at her home on south Main street.

Miss Kittie Scheindoller, of Columbus, is the guest of Miss Clara Ritzhaupt.

Victor Knapp was at Nevada, Ohio, over Sunday, visiting his relatives and friends.

Mrs. Will Sanders is visiting among her Indiana friends during the holiday season.

Arthur Bryant and wife spent the latter part of last week with friends at Wooster, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Beck, of Tiffin, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mason, on Jefferson street.

Will Dee returned to Bucyrus Sunday night after spending a few days with friends here.

Mrs. O. Murphy and son, have gone to Kenton and Logan county to take a few days vacation.

Will Ewart and wife have returned to their home in Kansas City after a few days visit here.

Will Klinefelter, baggage-master at the C. and E., is taking a few days' lay-off and visiting at Chicago.

Will Retterer, of Brightwood, Ind., was here over Christmas visiting friends, and returned Sunday.

Miss Zalia Balyeat, of VanWert, O. is the guest of Miss Florence Eckhart, at her home on east Center street.

Mr. and Mys. L. D. Kellogg, of Battle Creek, Mich., are the guests of their son, I. L. Kellogg, on south High street.

Mrs. Harry Good and sons, of Richwood, were spending a few days with Mrs. Frank Lindsey, on north East street.

C. W. Willard, one of the most popular young men of Ada, O., is the guest of Eugene Mouser during the holidays.

Rev. William Magruder and wife, of Cincinnati, were the guests of Mr. Magruder's parents here over Sunday.

Elza Bishop returned Monday from a visit at Toledo, Findlay and Mt. Blanchard, having been away since last Thursday.

Miss Anna Coble, of Columbus, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Maggie Ewart, on north East street for a few days.

H. M. Stowe and family have returned home from Cleveland, where they were spending the greater part of the holiday week.

The Misses Bayles, of Caledonia, were in the city Sunday, and attended the dedicatory exercises of the Epworth M. E. church.

Isaac Merchant has been appointed by the probate court administrator with the will annexed, of the estate of H. T. VanFleet, deceased.

William H. Johnson and Miss Tarry Robinson, colored, were married at the residence of Lew Robinson Sunday, Rev. R. Wallace officiating.

Thomas Stocks left Sunday night for Chicago, where he goes to remain a couple a couple of weeks and it is probable that he may remain at that place.

No finer Christmas present came to Marion than the one over which J. W. Freeland smiled proudly. Mrs. Freeland presented him with a daughter to make Christmas eve a time of gladness.

Edward Pace, of Caledonia, and Miss Maggie M. Morton, of Morrow county, were united in marriage on Wednesday of last week, at Mt. Gilead. The couple will make their future home at Caledonia.

Joe Byers and family left this morning for their home in Bellefontaine, after a two weeks' visit with relatives in this city, accompanied by Master Holmes Byers, who will spend his vacation with them.

Answer to correspondent: No, the medical society did not pass resolutions upon the departure from our midst of Doctor Ryan, of Chicago, recently of Ohio. The Doctor departed without even a brass band to see him off.

A petition to Senator Bain and Representative Conley, to work for a change of the present ditch laws of Ohio, is in circulation and is being largely signed. The present ditch law is doing more to swamp people with taxes, under careless administration of county affairs, than any other ten causes.

Among the funlets of Christmas time we note: In two good Presbyterian families, one sister received a deck of cards, the other a bible. One enthusiastic gentleman presented his wife with four bread plates. A good old fellow opened up a box big as a dog house and found snug as a kitten therein a minute bottle of ancient rye.

Galion Enquirer: Hannah Daughty, the Capitol house domestic who was so frightfully burned by her clothes catching fire while filling a gasoline stove several weeks ago, and whose bed was discovered on fire from spontaneous combustion of oil and cotton in which she was swathed last week, died of her injuries on Monday evening, after much suffering. The remains were taken to Latimberville, Marion county, Tuesday morning, the former home of deceased, for interment.

Mrs. Dr. F. S. Adams left Tuesday night for a visit at Lima.

Nick Iler returned Tuesday afternoon from Fostoria, where he spent Christmas.

John Beale and wife arrived home Tuesday night from Florida. They will remain here.

The grand total of taxes levied upon the duplicate of Marion county is near a third of a million of dollars. The number of acres of land in the county is almost exactly a quarter of a million.

The extension of the Columbus, Shawnee and Hocking to Sandusky by way of Marion would make the city the grand center of distribution of Lakeside travel. Marion would at once have fame.

Ray Livingston came very near having a fire at the Big Four depot Sunday night. He pushed a gas jet back against the panels of the office door and it ignited and was throwing out quite a blaze when Ray extinguished it.

On Saturday W. W. Renfrew, of this place was apprised of the death of his brother-in-law, Hon. F. W. Thornhill, of Coshocton, Ohio. Mr. Thornhill was 87 years of age, and for years was prominent in politics. He was the father of F. H. Thornhill, of Richwood.

Joe Roads, the C. and E. telegraph operator, who has been quite seriously sick at his home in Prospect for the past several weeks, is rapidly progressing along the road to complete recovery and will soon be able to work the night trick at the junction again.

Dr. Whittaker, one of Ohio's most eminent physicians, came up from Cincinnati Sunday to visit Julius Strelitz in consultation with Dr. Hamilton. The diagnosis of the attending physician and Dr. Loving was confirmed. Mr. Strelitz's condition is not improved.

The C. and E. and Erie run a special train Sunday direct from Chicago to New York City, carrying the "Country Circus" dramatic company. The train consisted of eight or nine cars and made but few stops. It arrived here during the forenoon and was transferred to the Erie.

Mrs. E. G. Allen has returned home from New Orleans, where she has been so long at the bedside of Mrs. H. E. Allen, who has suffered so extended and dangerous a siege of sickness. Mrs. H. E. Allen has almost wholly recovered, a fact that her Marion friends will be interested to learn.

A well-known farmer said to us that while he was in Kansas he saw a Huber outfit that had run a season of seventy days in wheat cut by headers. Sixty-five thousand bushels of wheat had been threshed, besides other grain, and the earnings at six cents had paid expenses, paid for the outfit and left the owner $1600 ahead.

Judge Allen Smalley was given a neat and cleverly arranged surprise at his Upper Sandusky home last Saturday night. The affair was manipulated by Mrs. Smalley, on the occasion of his fiftieth birthday anniversary, and a small but distinguished party of Upper Sanduskians enjoyed the banquet that was a part of the proceedings

The following libel on our good Morrow county neighbor is going the rounds of the press: At Mt. Gilead' this state, they arrested a man for taking a bath. On Christmas day Milt Peeples, a man in the prime of life, observed the day by stripping stark naked and taking a bath in the Olentangy river. For this privilege he paid five dollars and costs.

Saturday afternoon P. Gilooly, of Salt Rock, saw dogs chasing a flock of young sheep belonging to T. A. Thompson, of this city. The foreman of the Thompson farm was called and the two men followed the dogs home. They proved to be the property of Chas. Mounts and John Martin, and the dogs were killed. The damage to the flock is considerable, between fifteen or twenty were killed or wounded.

Appointed Yardmaster.

W. F. Hile has resigned his position in the yards of the C. and E. and Erie here to accept the position of yardmaster at Huntington on the C. and E. He left on train 1 today to take charge of his new appointment. Mr. Hile came here from Galion over six years ago and since that time has been employed in the yards as switchman and for some time has had charge of a yard crew. The company has found him worthy of promotion and his friends regret to see him leave but at the same time wish him every success. Mr. Hile will not remove his family to Huntington at present.

Death Hastened By Grip.

Mrs. Mary Slough, who has been staying at the home of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Herrington, on Grand avenue, for the past couple weeks, died at the Herrington home Tuesday morning at 5:45 o'clock. She had been a sufferer with consumption for the past two years, and that disease, complicated with the grip, caused her death. She leaves one daughter to mourn her demise, her husband having preceded her in death about six years ago.

Her remains were taken to Delaware, her home, for interment.

Looks Like Business.

The works of the recently organized Implement Manufacturing company are beginning very strongly to assume the appearance of business. The machinery for the manufacture of the Huber rake is being put in position and some of it already running. Numerous letters of inquiry have already been received, and the management is hopeful of a good next season's business. About twenty men are now in the employ of the company.

A DOUBLE SURPRISE

A Happy Event at the Corwin Home in Montgomery Township.

A double and pleasant surprise party was given at the home of Stephen Corwin near Chapel Corners, Montgomery township Christmas eve, the occasion being the arrival on a visit of Mrs. Val Miller, sister to Mrs. Corwin, of White Pigeon, Iowa. A few days previous to Christmas Miss Bertha Corwin received a note from Mrs. Miller stating that she would arrive at DeCliff on the evening train, (Christmas eve,) and requested that some of the family should meet her and convey her to their home, charging profound secrecy in the matter, as she intended on going the next day to her father's, Evan Gillespie, and taking her parents completely by surprise.

A council was held at the Corwin homestead and a surprise to the lady herself was resolved upon as well. For the climax of the occasion, the afore mentioned time and place were chosen. An oyster fix would blind to bring both parties unexpectedly face to face. Accordingly grandpa and grandma Gillespie and nearly all of their sons and daughters with their families were invited. Just before the gathering of the guests, Mr. C. slid out to meet the evening train, the rest of the family to tell that he had gone for the oysters. A round of questions were asked and answered according to directions, as to the whereabouts of Steve. The train pulled up at DeCliff on scheduled time and the lady in question alighted per plan and specification. The much ado and extra howdy-dos on like occasions, were omitted this time for fear of detection, but no time was lost in entering the rig and heading for Mr. C's, two miles away, Mrs. M. chatting freely about the people and the past, not forgetting to ask in particular if her mother was yet unadvised of her coming. By this time in the play the gate at Mr. C's was reached, whose house she found all aglow with father, mother, brothers and sisters and a host of family relation unexpectedly in waiting. Then, for the first, it dawned both sides that there was a double surprise. After the usual greetings oysters, candy and cake were served, followed with music, singing and merry good time in general. Old Santa appeared on the scene, clad in a fur coat and long tail, who enlivened the occasion by dropping rag babies around. B.

WITH STEALING SHEEP

That Is What a Salt Rock Township Farmer Is Charged With—The Tail of a Buck.

There is an old tradition about sheep stealing that puts it at the head of disgraceful thieving, nevertheless Robert Lee, a Salt Rock township farmer, is charged with that offense. Not long since C. C. Ridgway, of Grand township, lost a flock of about seventy-five head of sheep, and suspicion rested upon Lee. This suspicion was greatly strengthened by disclosures that afterward came to light. Among Mr. Ridgway's flock was a buck, which had a distinguishing feature in the way of a long tail. The aforesaid buck was found on Lee's premises, at least it was so identified, notwithstanding it had lost that portion of its identity known as a tail. The only difference between Ridgeway's buck and that found at Lee's was the tail, and there was evidence that this had been newly sacrificed, so by putting these two facts together and supplying an imaginary tail to the Lee buck, it is said you had a complete picture of the Ridgway animal.

On strength of these suspicions Lee was arrested on a warrant issued by 'Squire Lippencott, of Montgomery township, and was given a preliminary hearing Thursday. Lee was bound over in the sum of $500, in default of which he was brought on to this city city Thursday night to be placed in jail. The justice, however, failed to issue a mittimus, and while this document was forthcoming Lee secured the required bonds and was released.

Mr. Ridgeway's loss is a heavy one. The theory is that the flock was shipped away, so we are to understand.

A Fine Monument.

The finest monument that graces Marion cemetery will be erected next week, under the management of H. Myers, western manager of McDonnell & Son Granite company. The monument referred to is the one purchased by B. Waddell, and will be erected on his lot across the avenue, north of the vault.

On a base 6 feet and 4 inches by 9 feet will stand a six-column sarcophagus, surmounted by a large and perfectly wrought urn, making in all a monument 15 feet high and weighing 35 tons. It is of Quincy granite of course.

The design of the monument is perfect, and the artistic beauty is not lost in its massiveness. Mr. Myers has sold many fine monuments in Marion and the Waddell job will add greatly to his reputation here.

MARRIED.

BECHTEL—DAVIDS—In this city, on Christmas eve, by Rev. A. D. Matthews, Mr. Geo. F. Bechtel and Miss Ida D. Davids, of Prospect, O.

HUNTSMAN — BERRINGER — By Rev. A. D. Matthews, Christmas eve, Mr. William Hunteman and Miss Tillie Berringer, both of this city.

That Sheep Case.

R. W. Lee, who is accused by C. C. Ridgeway of stealing a flock of sheep, was in the city Monday and authorizes the STAR to deny the story in its entirety. He will prove his innocence of the charge, he declared, to both friends and enemies, when the case comes to trial.

THEY WILL SELL.

Howland & Ellis Will Sell the Waterworks If the City Gets in Shape to Buy.

While here looking after the interests of the Scioto Water company and the splendid plant here, Messrs. Howland & Ellis, the builders and owners of the works, have informally met the waterworks committee of the council, and there has been talk about the proposed purchase of the works.

As the STAR learns the situation Messrs. Howland & Ellis are not averse to making the sale on terms that are satisfactory, which means of course that they must get their price. The negotiations can take no definite form at present. The council must first get legislative authority to buy, then negotiations can take definite form.

At this time a purchase does not seem at all likely to the STAR. The bonds amounting to $250,000 have all been sold and that means that the sale must cost the city a greater sum than that. As we understand the situation there is not a sentiment existing to favor the paying so great a sum.

Music Hall Attractions

The next Music Hall attraction will be Chas. T. Ellis, well known and popular throughout the country in "Jasper, the Yodler." Mr. Ellis is equal if not superior to Chas. Gardner. He will be here Monday evening, Jan. 4th.

Following the appearance of Mr. Ellis the January attractions are Arlington's minstrels, 8th; "Daniel Boone," 12th, with brass band and orchestra; Washburn's Uncle Tom's Cabin, also band and orchestra, 21; Howard Wall, one week, beginning 25th.

The New Railroad.

While there is but little of a public character being transacted relative to the new Short Line railway, the subject is nevertheless freely discussed, largely by parties having a personal interest in the route through Marion. Some of these days matters of a more certain nature will develop. The Short Line to Sandusky will surely be built. As to Marion being on the line is yet to be determined.

Rob Pennell, who is teaching at Owen this winter, is entertaining a case of the grip during his vacation.

OUR GREAT
Slaughter Sale!
—O F—
Men and Boys' Clothing and Furnishing Goods still continues. It commenced 14 years ago, when we started business in Marion county, and will continue as long as we do. Our goods are all sold at a profit, but that profit is as low as the lowest. Our goods are all marked in plain figures and that is strictly the lowest price to everybody.
Some lucky guessers on the Pumpkin will receive
$40.00
As a present. A guess with every purchase of 25c and over.
ONE PRICE SAM OPPENHEIMER, BENNETT BLOCK.

THE RELIABLE
BLUE FRONT CLOTHING HOUSE
STILL CONTINUES TO GIVE
BIG BARGAINS
IN EVERY DEPARTMENT. A CRAYON PORTRAIT WITH EVERY
$10.00 PURCHASE.
CALL AND ASK ABOUT IT.
THE BLUE FRONT.
OPPOSITE HOTEL MARION.

REMNANTS
Of all kinds, from every department have been put on a center counter and will be sold at a fraction of their former price. We will close our
Wraps at Any Price.
A few very desirable FUR CAPES at less than cost. Fur Capes are desirable. They are splendid for cool evenings in mid-summer. All
WINTER GOODS
Sold regardless of cost.
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REMNANTS!
Bargains Remarkable!
Our annual Remnant Sale commenced Monday morning. Remnants of Silks, Dress Goods, Flannels, Shirtings, Ginghams, Prints, broken sizes in Underwear, what there is left of everything at prices that will close them out before invoicing. Every short length in the store is measured up and marked at a greatly reduced price to sell it. Pattern Suits at half price. Very low prices on Cloaks, Jackets and Furs.
WARNER & EDWARDS.

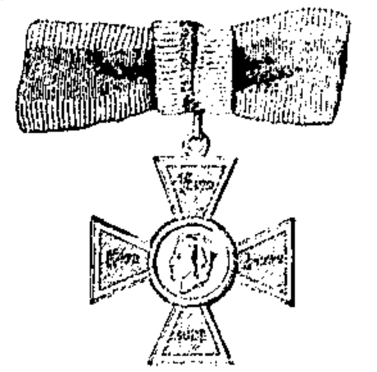
WOMEN WHO ARE BRAVE

Some Conspicuous Examples of Feminine Pluck.

DANGERS NOBLY MET IN INDIA.

Heroines Who Have Been Decorated by Queen Victoria—"Mother" Lawrence's Prison Work—How a New York Burglar Came to Grief.

Although courage is generally considered the special attribute of the lords of creation, woman has seldom failed to show, when necessity demanded, heroism as great as that displayed by men. From the ages when wives accompanied their husbands to the wars, through the era of Joan of Arc down to the time of Grace Darling, women have been heroic. Even now, when femininity is hedged about by gallantry and deferential regard never before equaled, examples of conspicuous courage on the part of women are continually coming to the surface, in spite of the care with which the heroines usually strive to keep all knowledge of their brave acts from the public. And this statement does not apply alone to one class, for as notable instances are furnished by the daughters of luxury as by those who have been rocked in the cradle of adversity.



THE ROYAL RED CROSS.

The decoration of the Order of the Royal Red Cross is not one which is lightly bestowed, yet Queen Victoria recently conferred it upon several women, all of whom richly deserved it.

Lady Roberts, one of those so honored, has succeeded in causing her name to be regarded as a synonym for kindness in every English army hospital of India. She is the wife of General Sir Frederick Roberts, and having accompanied him to his post in the east, she was horrified to learn of the mortality among the British soldiers, the native fever being particularly fatal. She investigated the causes leading up to this condition of affairs, and arrived at the conclusion that the large death rate was mainly attributable to an imperfect system of nursing. She at once organized the "Lady Roberts fund," and has since then personally supervised its distribution. As a result, the percentage of fatalities from fevers, etc., has been greatly reduced. With all her self imposed duties Lady Roberts is in no sense a "masculine woman." In fact, she is recognized as one of the most charming society leaders in India. Her latest work has been the establishing of an officers' hospital at Murree, with small branches maintaining nurses only in different sections of the country. Lady Roberts is perhaps the most generally known and universally beloved woman in the East Indies.

LADY ROBERTS. MISS LOCH. MISS LICKFOLD. MRS. DAMANT.

To Mrs. Damant and Mrs. Cawley the honor of decoration came a little late, as the occurrence which afforded them the opportunity to distinguish themselves is twelve years old. Mrs. Damant was the wife of the English officer in charge of the territory contiguous to the frontier fort of Kohima. Her husband was slain by the natives while on a visit of inspection to one of the neighboring villages. He was accompanied by a mere handful of Sepoys, and when the survivors returned to Kohima and notified Mr. Cawley, who had been left in charge, he at once ordered the garrison to prepare for a siege. Mrs. Damant, although the news of her husband's murder had just been broken to her, insisted upon sharing the labor of the men. Mrs. Cawley left her two children to amuse themselves, and also "took a hand" in preparing the defenses.

MOTHER LAWRENCE.

During the trying days which followed, both these ladies suffered terribly from hunger and thirst, but they steadfastly refused the offer to allow them full rations of food and water. Mrs. Damant consented without a moment's hesitation to the burning of the bungalow containing the personal effects of herself and her recently murdered husband, because it was deemed inadvisable to leave it standing, as it was outside the garrison limits. Both Mrs. Damant and Mrs. Cawley worked assiduously among the wounded. The viceroy of India a short time after the event publicly expressed his admiration for their conduct, but it was not until a few weeks ago that they received the higher recognition already referred to.

Three other women who were decorated at the same time are Miss Catherine Loch, Miss Edith Welchman and Miss E. M. Lickfold, graduates from St. Bartholomew's hospital, in Winchester, England.

Miss Loch has for several years been superintendent of military nurses in India, and she has made a magnificent record. With the Misses Lickfold and Welchman she undertook the famous expedition to Black mountain, accompanied by a few physicians and natives. It was an exceedingly perilous journey, but the three women displayed great fortitude.

Another brave soul who devotes her energies to making the lives of the unfortunate less miserable is Mrs. Mary Lawrence, of Cincinnati. She is better known as "Mother" Lawrence, and is one of those good angels who visit prisons. She takes her dinner basket with her every morning, and always "makes a day of it." She goes to the hospital one day, the police station the next, the jail the next and so on until the end of the week. She spends all of Sunday at the jail, going there early in the morning, with her lunch rolled into a neat little bundle. Services are held in the chapel during the forenoon. "Mother" Lawrence always assists, and her failure to do so would excite the comment of every prisoner. After her luncheon she instructs a Sunday school class, and then she makes an informal talk to her prison pupils. "Mother" Lawrence is sixty-eight years of age, but she is as vigorous now as when she first took up her self imposed task eighteen years ago.

SADIE EATON.

A mild sensation was created in New York city recently by the announcement that Miss Sadie Eaton had run down a burglar who had entered her residence in West Thirteenth street. Awakened, as Miss Eaton was, out of sound sleep, the physical courage displayed by her would have been noteworthy even in a man. On the night in question Miss Eaton had retired early. Her room opened into the main hallway. About 4:30 a. m. she heard a noise, and thinking it was a lodger trying to get in or out, she turned over for another doze. But in a few moments she again awoke with the distinct consciousness that there was some one in the hallway who had no right to be there. An ordinary man, under similar circumstances, might have gone to the bureau drawer and fumbled about in it loud enough to serve notice on the burglar that he was coming, and long enough to enable the "knight of the dark lantern" to make good his escape.

But Miss Eaton did not believe in that mode of procedure. Besides, she had no revolver. So she hastily donned a light wrapper and sallied forth. As she did so she dimly descried the forms of two men. One started down the steps leading to the basement, while the other made a break for the front door. Miss Eaton followed the latter and grabbed him by the coat tails just as he reached the stoop, at the same time screaming at the top of her voice for help. The coat tails were unable to stand the strain, and when the tie that had bound the burglar to Miss Eaton was broken the robber started on a dead run down the street. But the young lady, lightly clad as she was, barefooted and without a thought of the danger entailed by such a course, started in pursuit. After running for a couple of blocks the fugitive was captured by a policeman.

When the excitement had passed, Miss Eaton could scarcely understand how she had managed to be so brave, for as she herself confesses, "I always feel safer when I get into bed if I have first peeped under it, felt around in the closet and tried the bolts on the doors and windows several times."

Miss Eaton also says that the burglar cannot be a very bad man, else he would have knocked her down or hurt her in some way, whereas he did nothing beyond trying to escape. Her exploit may not have been on as broad and humanitarian a plane as those of the other women mentioned, but it is a striking example of the courage possessed by women.

OCTAVUS COHEN.

Unnecessary Smuggling.

Mr. Charles Allen, a medical student of Leamington, Ont., is just now the target of a good many jests. A few days ago he smuggled a human skeleton across the Detroit river to Canada. He padded his purchase, dressed it in woman's clothes with a stylish hat and a deep blue veil, and, propping it up in his buggy beside him, drove on to the ferryboat and crossed to Windsor. The disguise was so clever that the customs officers did not give him a second glance, and the young man lauded himself for his cleverness and forthwith told his friends, who informed him that Canada does not impose a tax on articulated skeletons!

Broke His Leg in Bed.

A queer surgical case is reported from Irving, Wis. One night last August a young man named Bolger, while turning over in bed, caught his foot some way and broke his leg just above the knee. The bone was so badly splintered that the physicians cut part of it out and then set the ends together, but he kept on failing, and the other day breathed his last.

William Jackson, a venerable citizen of Ellsworth, Me., has outlived much affliction. During the last fifty five years he has lost six wives. The sixth passed away only a few weeks ago.

CHAFFING A CORPSE.

But the Elevated Railway Men Didn't Do so Intentionally.

"Ah, there!"

"Come off, old fellow!"

"Pull down the blind!"

These and other facetious remarks fell from the lips of the guards of the New York Ninth avenue elevated railway trains as they passed and repassed, on their up and down trips, the building at 615 Greenwich street. Their witticisms were aimed at an elderly man who leaned his head on his arms and looked out steadily from an open upper window.

THE DEAD MAN AT THE WINDOW.

They didn't notice him much on Sunday morning, but before noon came they began to stare, and later on to chaff. At dawn of Monday he was still to be seen in the same position, and as the hours went by wonder took the place of amusement. Dr. Donlin, of the coroner's office, boarded a train and the matter was mentioned to him. He watched, got a glimpse of the face, exclaimed "that man's dead," alighted at the next station, went back, forced his way into the rooms and stood in presence of a corpse.

Investigation showed that the man was Richard Harvey, an iron roofer, fifty-seven years of age. He had lived alone since last May, when his wife Lizzie went to Reading, O., to care for her mother. The mother died and then Mrs. Harvey urged her octogenarian father to return with her to New York. He consented, but there were delays necessitated by the disposal of property. All business was closed up recently and the wife and her father looked forward to a reunion with the waiting husband by Christmas. Meanwhile Mr. Harvey calmly anticipated death. He did not know when he arose in the morning whether the shades of night would see him alive. He had asthma and a tendency to apoplexy.

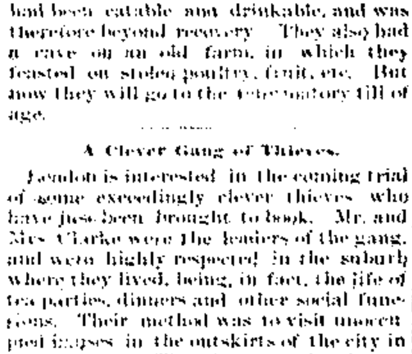
Early that fatal Sunday he rushed to the window, threw it open, gasped and expired. A note on his person showed that he expected such an end. It contained his address, a statement of his affairs and a brief will. He had money in two banks, considerable other property, and was in fact fairly well to do.

When the elevated railway guards learned the truth cold shivers crept down their spines, and it is safe to wager that many a long day will pass before they again "guy" anybody looking out of a window.

"Terrors of Long Island."

Another band of "Youthful Terrors" has been "unearthed," this time in Long Island City. And youthful indeed they are, for their "best man," Charles Blackham, is but thirteen years old. Unfortunately, they did not start west to "kill injins," but began by stealing several horses out of a pasture and selling them in Brooklyn. Blackham was arrested, but his mother paid the expenses incurred in recovering the horses and he was released.

That was last spring. A few days ago his mother notified the police that he was incorrigible, and he was arrested, having skeleton keys and other burglar's tools in his possession. He "squealed," and a raid was made on his den. This was at 755 Jackson avenue, where Fred Woerner, one of "de gang," was janitor. The police found there Woerner, Charles Desmond and Thomas Clark, all two or three years older than Blackham, and such stolen articles as shoes, a revolver, keg of powder and other articles. Most of their plunder had been eatable and drinkable, and was therefore beyond recovery. They also had a cave on an old farm, in which they feasted on stolen poultry, fruit, etc. But now they will go to the reformatory till of age.



"DE GANG'S" HEADQUARTERS.

A Clever Gang of Thieves.

London is interested in the coming trial of some exceedingly clever thieves who have just been brought to book. Mr. and Mrs. Clarke were the leaders of the gang, and were highly respected in the suburb where they lived, being, in fact, the life of tea parties, dinners and other social functions. Their method was to visit unoccupied premises in the outskirts of the city in the day time. They drove up in elegant carriages, and when they found nobody at home the house was marked. In the night they came in a wagon, broke into the house, and carried off their booty. When it turned out that they were mistaken, and that parties were in the house, they simply offered to sell photographs and albums. One of the members rode a bicycle, and took his notes of the houses that were good for robbing.

New Cure for Epilepsy.

Here is a case that ought to commend itself to the careful consideration of the medical fraternity. An English newspaper says that a church bellringer was ringing the bells, when one of the heavy weights swung over and he was pulled up to a considerable height by the rope. He lost his grip and fell on his head on the stone floor of the belfry. He arose and walked home. The man had been an epileptic, but since the fall in the belfry he has not had any attack of epilepsy.

No Poor People There.

Vanlue, O., must be a singularly prosperous town. At a union religious meeting held awhile ago a collection was taken for the relief of the poor and needy. This money was placed in the hands of a committee of ladies, and three weeks after they come forward and report that they can find neither poor nor needy in the village or vicinity and don't know what to do with the funds.

PRETTY ALBERT HOPE.

He Kept a Diary, Drank Absinthe and Got Into Trouble.

"Don't drink absinthe and don't keep a diary."

These are the monitory words recently uttered by Albert Hope, now in jail at Memphis and awaiting transfer to the Tennessee penitentiary for obtaining money on a worthless draft. Albert has yet to see his twenty-fifth birthday, but during the last four years he has "gone the pace" like a spendthrift millionaire. He is the son of a New Orleans cotton merchant, long since dead, and in 1885 secured possession of his inheritance—real estate worth at least $25,000.

He sold this property for $11,500 cash and went to New York, where for a time he cut a wide swath. He "acted" a bit, wrote some fairly good poetry, conceived a violent fancy for Tommy Russell, a pretty boy well known for his stage impersonation of Little Lord Fauntleroy, and had apartments at the Gerlach, where his monthly bills for board and lodgings averaged about $700. He is a handsome fellow, is Albert, with dainty hands and feet, dark dreamy eyes and black wavy hair. Young women are said to have raved about him, but he failed to reciprocate their admiration and devoted himself to his chosen companion, Tommy Russell. He met Mrs. Frank Leslie, and, like others, that noted publisher and writer was fascinated by his charming manners and elegant address.

So when he had spent his small fortune he found little difficulty in getting her to loan him money. Indeed, he borrowed from numerous acquaintances and then disappeared. The next heard of him he was under arrest at Philadelphia for uttering the worthless draft already referred to. Officers took him to Memphis, and there the criminal court passed on his case. While overhauling his effects the authorities discovered a remarkable diary which contained a record of his "inmost thoughts." Therein he says that his regard for Tommy Russell drove him to swindling and absinthe drinking. He speaks of the seductive French liqueur as "Thou fairy with the green eyes," and indulges in much extravagant language. The book fell into Mrs. Leslie's hands, and of it she said:

ALBERT HOPE IN COSTUME.

"After I had read it I returned it to the police. It was unspeakable. It was dedicated to Tommy Russell, to read when he became twenty-one years old. Its contents showed that the young man's brain had been weakened by absinthe, and it was filled with the ideas that he had gathered from French novels. I think there was a poem in it dedicated to me, in which he accused me of trifling with a boy's heart or something equally absurd. When I read that diary I thought that he should be punished. I feel sorry for him now, however, and if I could help him I would. I sent an agent to see if he could aid him in any way. I learned that even if this present charge were withdrawn there were others that would be brought against him."

Although locked up and under sentence, Albert is not deserted. Numerous people are trying to get him out of his scrape, and on a recent Sunday various ladies of Memphis sent him six baskets of fruit, lots of flowers and eleven dinners. Jailer Williamson said he never before had charge of so popular a prisoner.

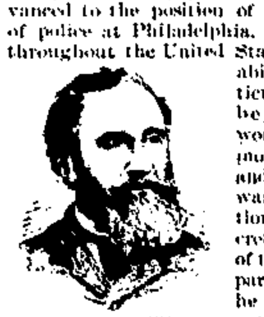
The Hoosier Maiden Backed Out.

What queer pranks the little god of love plays when he gets into one of his fantastic moods! He leads people almost to the altar and then separates them, as witness the sad case of Delos Ferrel. Delos is a well to do, hard working and fairly good looking farmer, whose residence is near Carlton, Pa. He is almost fifty years of age and single. He yearned for a helpmeet, and advertised his yearn in a matrimonial paper.

An elderly maiden of Huntingdon, Ind., saw the plaint for a partner and wrote to Mr. Ferrel. After considerable correspondence they agreed to wed, and met at Youngstown, O. For some reason there was trouble about getting a license, and the lady, who probably changed her mind on seeing the Pennsylvanian, made the difficulty an excuse for "backing out." She returned to Indiana, and Delos is now at liberty to do some more advertising. He has a good farm, a "kind heart," and if he gets a wife will provide her with a hired girl.

Philadelphia's New Police Chief.

Captain Robert J. Linden, recently advanced to the position of superintendent of police at Philadelphia, is well known throughout the United States as a man of ability in his particular line. He began detective work when hardly more than a lad, and during the war held a position with the secret service branch of the treasury department. Later he joined the Chicago police force, and was a lieutenant at the time of the great fire of 1871. He resigned to enter the employ of Allan Pinkerton, and did good service in aiding to break up the "Mollie Maguire" organization of the Pennsylvania coal regions. Not long before his death Pinkerton wrote of Linden as follows:



R. J. LINDEN.

> A gentleman in whose courage, judgment and discretion I could place implicit reliance, he is eminently qualified to assume the leading part in such a great and hazardous undertaking: of good personal appearance, captivating address, great energy and perseverance, with more than ordinary powers of perception; tall, powerful and commanding in frame and physique, with just the kind of blue eyes to win the confidence of others; the proper qualities of head and heart, and possessed of the greatest confidence and coolness under the most trying circumstances, with wonderful capacity for the training and managing of bodies of men.

The new superintendent is not yet fifty years of age.

LEAD LAWLESS LIVES.

Characteristics of What Are Known as "Gangs."

RECENT MURDERS DONE BY THEM.

How a New York "Tough" Avenged the Killing of His Brother—Decline of the Whyos—A New Jersey Coterie Devoted to All Sorts of Crime.

What is a "gang?" Well, the word has many significations from a dictionary standpoint, but to the city police it has but one meaning. Every large city has its "gangs" and occasionally a country district has one. And it is worth noting that the country gang usually has its headquarters in a swamp or in a rocky, hilly region, and is, if anything, a little more brutal and cold bloodedly murderous than a city gang. Such was the "Summit gang" of Orange county, N. J., to which the brutal murder of Mrs. Noah Gregory has recently been traced.

"KID" HUNT. DENNIS SULLIVAN.

The "Whyo" gang was long famous in the old Five Points region of New York city. It was supposed that the last remains of it were rooted out, but all the details of it were recently brought freshly to the public mind by a singular and, if the word be correct, romantic murder. On a cold December evening recently this cry was heard from a man prostrate in the gutter in front of 41 Baxter street: "Come, Mickey! Help, Doherty! They've done me!"

"Mickey" and "Doherty" did not come, but the police did, and the man was taken to the hospital with a fractured skull. He died in a few hours, and his friends came forward to say that they suspected Dennis Sullivan. Why? Well, the murdered man, Thomas Hunt, better known as "Kid" Hunt, had killed "Pol" Sullivan five years ago, and Dennis had sworn vengeance. So Dennis was arrested and then the whole story came out. They were all members of the notorious "Whyo" gang. Once the gang numbered at least sixty, now but few are left.

The leaders had been arrested from three to thirty times, but "influence" and hard swearing pulled them through till at last their leader, Dan Driscoll, killed "Beezy" Garrity, his mistress, and was convicted and hanged. A little later, in 1880, "Kid" Hunt and two other "Whyos" were taken in the act of robbery and sent to Sing Sing for five years. The chain was broken and others followed fast. The Italians came into that quarter and with their quiet ways and handy knives made it unpleasant for the "Whyos." Some were killed, some hanged; the rest fled. "Kid" Hunt served his five years and came out, quarreled with "Pol" Sullivan about a woman and killed him.

The court accepted his plea of manslaughter and he went up for another five years. Since his release a few months ago he had lived in Harlem and labored industriously in the line of "green goods" and "bunko steering." At last he ventured into his old haunts on Baxter street and the very first night there he was killed. In the meantime "Sheeny" Lewis, Dannie Naughton and "Skinny" Harrison had gone up for long terms, "Beezy" Garrity had been murdered and Dan Driscoll hanged for it, the rest had died or run away or been "knifed" by the "dagos," and now Dennis Sullivan will probably be "electrocuted" for avenging his brother; sic transit gloria whyorum.

Quite similar, but with rural characteristics, was the "Summit gang." For thirty years the habit of petty stealing, with occasional bold robbery, had been handed down from father to son. At length two or three of them went to the house of Noah Gregory, near Middletown, N. J., while he was at work at a distance, deliberately beat his wife to death and robbed the house. This roused the whole country, and arrests followed right and left. Contrary to the usual rule, a woman gave it away. Warren Brazington and Fred McGuire did the bloody deed, and Sarah A. Brown, who "lived with McGuire," told the story as she had it from him, evidently thinking in her ignorance that the story would be accepted and "her Fred" released because Brazington had done the killing. The details show a state of society on the "Summit" which would seem impossible in any civilized country. But such is the society that produces the gangs.

FRED M'GUIRE.

A Pension for a Butcher.

It seems like a ludicrous ending to a bloody contest that France should pay tribute to that sanguinary old wretch, the king of Dahomey. Yet such is the fact and considerable difficulty was experienced the other day when payment was made of the first annual "pension." The savage monarch is suspicious and can count only as high as 100. Eventually the silver, in which the pension was paid, was done up in packages of twenty five-franc pieces each and these packages were delivered one by one to the forty chieftains whom the king had summoned to see that he was not swindled. Upon the delivery of each package, the chieftain who kept book laid aside a shell. When forty shells had been laid aside, the bookkeeper indicated to the other chieftains that the payment was complete, and all then affixed crosses to the receipt presented by the French agent.

TESTIFIED IN SONG.

The Remarkable Scene Witnessed at a Murder Trial.

On the first day of last September Policeman John J. Sherman, of New York city, was requested to arrest an insolent and drunken colored servant named Noah Richards. He entered the room where the man sat, closed the door and for the next few minutes there was a good deal of noise. This was followed by a fall and silence. The people who rushed in found the officer lying on the floor dead, his head nearly cut from his body. Soon afterward Richards was captured. He had a fractured skull as the result of a terrific clubbing.

NOAH RICHARDS.

On recovering from his hurts he was put on trial the other day for murder and convicted, the jury, however, recommending that an inquiry be instituted as to his sanity. It is understood that the jurors believe he killed Sherman while crazed by the beating to which he had been subjected.

The unusual and romantic episode of the trial was the testimony of the defendant. When placed on the stand he denied having committed the murder, and actually claimed to have been elsewhere when the tragedy occurred! Said he: "I was sitting in my room, thinking of my dead mother. The thought reminded me of a song I made up after she died, and I couldn't resist singing it." Then, in the presence of the crowd that filled the courtroom, he began:

She left me here when I was young;
Stole away my mother, she's my friend.
Just got acquainted with my father's son;
Stole away my mother, she's my friend.

Oh, death, death, what have you done?
Stole away my mother, she's my friend.
Oh, death, death, what have you done?
Stole away my mother, she's my friend.

These and several other verses were rendered with pathetic melody, and when the negro ceased many an eye was wet with tears. After the verdict of guilty had been rendered Richards said, in response to a reporter's inquiry: "When my mother died I was lonely. I used to go out into the field and sit under an old elm tree. There were some ants near, and I watched them by the hour. One day I thought I saw a vision of heaven in the ant colony. The words of the song and the music came to me from the Saviour. When I sing the song I can see my old mother and my Lord in heaven. When I feel sad I always sing the song."

WOUNDS DON'T WORRY HIM.

Despite a Crank's Well Aimed Bullets Judge Clark Is a Candidate.

Judge Horace S. Clark is a prominent citizen of Illinois and has gubernatorial aspirations. He is also the victim of a crank, and now lies on a bed in his home at Mattoon suffering from several wounds, none of which, however, is serious.

JUDGE CLARK.

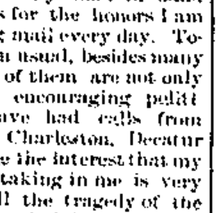
For some time Judge Clark has befriended and legally advised an inventor named Frank W. Hornish. He pulled the man out of a financial hole and disposed of one of his patents so that he stood clear of debt and had nearly $4,000 in his pocket. This sum Hornish squandered in various ways. Then he brought a claim against Judge Clark for eighteen dollars, and failing to get judgment went gunning for the man who had been his friend.

The two met at 7 in the evening. Hornish's first bullet grazed the judge's cheek. The second flew wide, the third penetrated the right thigh and the fourth went through the left shoulder. The judge grappled with his assailant, overpowered him, turned him over to the authorities, went home, had his wounds dressed and hopes soon to be out again. As he is an old soldier and was shot three times during the war he doesn't bother much about his present injuries. To a reporter he said:

"I may be confined for a few days, but I will not lose an inch of ground in the fight I am making for the gubernatorial nomination. I am still in the fight, and in it in earnest. Of course I can't escape interviewers now, and I might as well talk. Governor Fifer and I are warm friends. All his appointees are my friends, too, as well as the leaders of the party throughout the state. I am personally hand in hand with all the aspirants for the honors I am seeking. I have a big mail every day. Today it was larger than usual, besides many telegrams, and many of them are not only congratulatory, but encouraging politically. Besides, I have had calls from friends from Paris, Charleston, Decatur and other cities, while the interest that my own neighborhood is taking in me is very reassuring. With all the tragedy of the affair cast off, I have to feel flattered at the interest taken in my well being."

Left at George Gould's Door.

Carroll Howard is the name that has been given to one of the infant waifs of New York now cared for at the Foundling hospital on Randall's island. He is probably six months old and his claim to distinction lies in the fact that a policeman found him under the stoop of George Gould's palatial residence on Forty-seventh street. Inside the son of Jay Gould and his family were enjoying all the comforts of home, while outside the little waif shrieked piteously. The officer on beat rescued him and took him to the station, where the matron declared him to be "as fine a boy as ever was born."



CARROLL HOWARD.

They Were Falsely Denounced.

No one seems safe from suspicion and official entanglements in Russia. Recently anonymous letters from Vienna denounced the Jews of the town of Ehmeloil as a pack of nihilists. The governor ordered an inquiry, with the result that in the house of several Israelites photographs of Baron Hirsch were discovered with the inscription "Emperor of the Jews." Further investigation, however, proved that the photographs came from Vienna and were placed in the homes of the Jewish families by unknown hands. The suspected Jews were promptly set at liberty.

The Height of Luxury.

In the presence of a southerner the conversation turned on the grand style of living indulged in by our young Parisians.

"That's nothing to what it is with us," interrupted the Marseillais. "I can pick out at least ten sons of wealthy parents whose establishments are on such a complete footing that they each keep a negro valet for the sole purpose of carrying their mourning letters to the post."—Courrier du Centre.

Strange!

He—Forgive me for kissing you—the perfume of that rose in your hair intoxicated me, and I did not know——

She—Isn't it funny! That's an artificial rose, you know.—Life.

His Experience.

He registered at a Detroit hotel from Shiawassee county, and during the evening had a talk with the clerk on watch.

"How many boarders have you got here?" he asked.

"Oh," said the clerk, for a flyer, "about 300, I should say."

"All of 'em pay their bills?"

"You bet they do, or they wouldn't be here."

"Pshaw, now, young feller, you don't mean it, do you?"

"Certainly I do."

Then he became confidential.

"I run a boardin' house in my town," he said; "leastwise my wife does, and we take keer of about a dozen the year 'round, and have been doin' it for fourteen years."

"Yes," encouraged the clerk as he hesitated a moment.

"Yes; and I guess we've boarded people from every state and territory in the Union, includin the District of Columby."

"Yes," nodded the clerk as before.

"And you say you've got three hundred as pays their board reg'lar."

"Yes."

"Well, young feller, I'll give you $2.50 to tell me whereabouts you pick 'em up. I had an idee from my experience that there wasn't three hundred people on the whole face of the earth that paid their board bills reg'lar."—Detroit Free Press.

At Monte Carlo.

Young English Lady (to Mr. Colney, who is staying at the same hotel)—Do you know, I must put a five franc piece on the number of my age, just for fun! (Puts one on number twenty-five, number thirty-three wins.)

Little Sister—Oh, I say, Ethel, what a pity! Now, if you had really put it on your right age you would have won, wouldn't you?—Funny Folks.

A Lucky Accident.

"Keyless seems to be very attentive to Miss Mittens."

"Yes, he has become acquainted with her at last. But I guess he never would have if it hadn't been for an accident."

"What sort of an accident?"

"You see, they ran into each other so hard while skating yesterday that they both sat down. That broke the ice."—Boston Post.

No Lack of Variety.

"No, don't go into that restaurant; let's go somewhere else."

"Why?"

"They've no variety in there."

"Haven't they! I had a meal there the other day and I found they had a greater variety than at Delmonico's."

"What did you have?"

"Hash."—New York Press.

The Trick He Played.

Weary Wrinkles—Say, mister, gimme a quarter an I'll put ye onto a thing that's got a foot on top of its legs.

Museum Manager—You're guffin.

Weary Wrinkles—No, I ain't.

Museum Manager—Well, here's your quarter. What's the freak?

Weary Wrinkles (edging away)—A bed.—New York Herald.

He Was All Right.

Papa, jestingly, to little Karl, the latter's lady cousin being present:

"How old is Cousin Katie, Karl?"

"Twenty-eight."

"Ah, but, Karl, I didn't expect that. When the ladies are around you should always take a year or two off their age."

"I did do that, papa."—Fliegende Blatter.

The Trouble as to Spriggs.

Briggs—How does it happen that Spriggs isn't going to make a speech at that family reunion of yours?

Driggs—Why—er—Spriggs is going to —um—to read the letters of regret from the distinguished men who will probably—er—be unable to come.—Chicago Tribune.

A Case of Real Distress.

Smith—Your wife don't seem to be in a very good humor today.

Jones—She has had some very bad luck this morning, poor thing. She went out shopping to buy some ribbon, and she found just what she wanted in the first store she went into.—Texas Siftings.

THE BOSTON.

A HAPPY New Year to all—Yes, a happy and prosperous year to each and every one of our patrons, and to all who chance to read our sincere wishes. Old '91 with its joys and sorrows, with its momentous events, its casulties, its triumphs—all pass into history and '92 is before us fresh as the morning sun. What will it bring forth? Who can tell? Really it would not do to know, but the time seems appropriate to make the observation that nothing more important occurred to dry goods buyers than the locating of the Boston in Marion. You have got to learn of its merits, its attractions and its value as a great mercantile house to get much good out of it. But now while the holiday spirit is on the earth and man feels the brotherhood of man, let us unite with you in good wishes and will, and help to swell the melody of the bells as they ring it out.

A happy New Year! We, all of us, shoppers and toilers and workers, linked by this new touch into a magic fellowship, make this year one of pleasure and benefit and give and get that first greeting,

"On earth peace
good will to man."

THE BOSTON ONE-PRICE

DRY GOODS STORE,

CUMMIN MEMORIAL.

201 and 203 East Center St., Marion, O.

Thos Coulton, Pres. W. B. Hurd, Mgr.

P.S.—Our store will be open until 12 o'clock New Year's day and also in the evening from 7 to 9 p. m.

BLACK WALNUT LOGS and lumber wanted for cash. For specifications, prices, etc., see H. A. Martin, 232 south East street, Marion, Ohio. Logs and lumber to be delivered in Marion. Hickory, oak and ash logs also bought. 26tf.

WANTED—To rent, a farm in good location and good repair for term of years. Address, E. C. KERR, w13 Andrews, O.

LOCAL NEWS.

Joe Lebold left Tuesday afternoon for Chicago.

Miss Maud Davis, of Ada, is the guest of friends here.

Charles Gompf left Tuesday via the Erie for Florida.

Frank Robinson is down from Toledo to visit with friends.

Bener Merchant made a business trip to Columbus Thursday.

Peloubets Sunday school notes for 1892 at Wiant's bookstore.

J. L. Elliott is home from an extended business trip in the East.

James Bishop returned home from a visit at Cleveland Thursday forenoon.

John W. Mawer and Clara Bonner were licensed to marry Wednesday.

Willis Young, of the Akron Beacon, was in the city for a few hours Thursday.

Mrs. G. W. Prettyman is sick at her home in West Marion with an attack of the grip.

Mrs. T. P. Wallace and Mrs. Maggie Patten spent the day at Prospect with Mrs. Watkins.

The Misses Nellie and Alice Edwards are the guests of friends at Columbus for a few days.

'Squire J. L. Bell is quite sick at his home with a complication of heart trouble and grip.

The Misses Britton, of Fenton, Mich., are guests of their sister, Miss W. H. Harrison, of this city.

Miss Nellie Price, of Columbus, is a guest at the home of Miss Gertie Turney, on east Center street.

Albert Greiner, of Tiffin, was the guest of Miss Myrtie Whipps, on north Greenwood street, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Linder were called to London, O., Tuesday, on account of the death of the latter's father.

The work of reconstructing the engine house to prepare for new hook and ladder equipments has begun.

E. Robbins, superintendent of the C., H. V. and T., was in the city Wednesday, looking up the road's interest here.

The Misses Minnie and Mary Boxwell, of Green Camp, are spending the week with relatives and friends in the city.

The Misses Florence Saiter and Alice Fairfield, Mrs. W. R. Whitmarsh and George Uhler attended the Donaldson-Burt nuptials at Galion Wednesday evening.

Mrs. F. E. Blake is at North Lewisburg, at the bedside of a brother who is critically ill.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Warner, of Medina, Ohio, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Warner, on east South street.

M. L. Morton and wife and two children, of Crestline, are guests of Elias McClinton and family for a few days.

Dr. Hensley reports having treated seventy cases of the prevailing disease, la grippe, during the month of December.

Mrs. F. J. Gottschall came up form Columbus Wednesday to visit parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Leffler, and other relatives.

Jas. Galdt left Wednesday on a busitrip to Springfield, going around by the way of Marysville to visit at his home.

Miss Bessie Martin, a pleasant little lady of Upper Sandusky, is the guest of Miss Carrie Bland, on east Center street.

George Woods returned to his home in Birmingham, O., Thursday, after a visit with his daughter, Mrs. C. T. Wiant.

George D. Estlack and Miss Minnie Berry were married at the home of the bride's parents, on Lee street, Wednesday evening.

The fire department has purchased a new horse to be used on the hook and ladder truck. The purchase was made of John H. Thomas.

Mike Masterson quite seriously injured his hand while making a coupling in the yards Tuesday night, but it will not cause him to lay off.

George A. Kenyon and Laura Emery, of Waldo, were married at the M. E. parsonage Thursday at 2 o'clock, Rev. R. Wallace officiating.

Miss Mary Kendall, who has been visiting her father and other friends for the past few days, returned to her home in Bucyrus Thursday.

Mrs. Omer Ayers and Mr. and Mrs J. B. Strong, of Chicago, came down with Conductor Ayers Thursday night to spend New Year's day in Marion.

Jno. F. Uhler is here from Akron to spend a few days. It looks as though John had gone back on Marion to tie to the hustling Summit county metropolis.

Mr. Manning, of Toledo, and Mr. White, of Newark, were the guests of Misses Mame Roberts and Ida Van Buskirk Thursday evening, at the latter's home.

C. C. Owens and wife returned to their home in Cleveland Friday, after spending the holidays with relatives in and around Marion. Mrs. Owen was formerly an Everett.

W. D. Werts and family, of Waverly, Kansas, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Prettyman, in West Marion. Mr. Werts is making an extended visit among relatives and old friends in the county.

Mrs. Martin died at her home about eleven miles southeast of town Wednesday morning. She was about 83 years of age. The funeral occurred Friday forenoon at 10 o'clock from her late residence.

Miss Kittie Thew, assisted by Miss Minnie Craig, entertained a small party of friends at her home on south Main street Thursday night. The party pleasantly passed the evening until the advent of the new year.

The citizens of Prospect are agitating the electric light question, and ere long that town will be lighted by electricity. A committee of the council of that place was in the city Wednesday evening on business in connection with the establishment of an electric light plant in that place.

We learn from Dr. Maddox that Bruce Payton, the weinerwurst vender and who for years has been an unique and familiar character on our streets, is now much improved from the dread disease, consumption, with which he has been suffering, and that it is possible that he may get out again.

The Owls' dance at Music Hall Wednesday evening, the second of series to be given, was an enjoyable affair. Dancing continued until 3 o'clock this morning and the happy participants were loath to depart from the pleasures of the evening. A number of visitors in the city accompanied their friends.

M. E. Burke and family were at Green Camp Wednesday, attending the funeral of Austin Funk, Mrs. Burke's father. Had Mr. Funk lived until today he would have been 64 years of age, but an attack of the grip a few days ago shortened his life. Mrs. Funk is also quite sick, and her recovery is not certain.

The Short Line engineering corps returned here Thursday, having completed a line north to Likens, about thirty miles from here. This line goes about seven miles west of Bucyrus The corps left for the south Friday the intention being to locate the line between here and Columbus, following the preliminary line recently surveyed.

J. A. Blackburn and wife, of Huntington, Ind., passed through here Wednesday night on their way to Meadville, Pa. Mr. Blackburn is manager of Breen's C. and E. eating house at Huntington and he and his wife, and Mike Breen and wife, of the Meadville eating house, and Charles Brelsford, manager of Mr. Breen's property here, will enjoy a New Year's dinner at Meadville and then attend a society ball at Sager Town, Pa., New Years night. The entire party were formerly from Dayton and the dinner will be one of much enjoyment.

R. N. Taylor, of Upper Sandusky, was in the city Thursday on business.

Five cases for civil action will be heard in 'Squire McNally's court Saturday.

The infant child of A. F. Berry, residing near Big Island was buried Thursday.

J. D. Walker is at Huntington, Ind., and may take a position with the C. and E. there.

A. A. Mosier, a school teacher of North Baltimore, Ohio, was in the city Friday on business.

No local freights were run on the railroads Friday, to let the employes thereon have a holiday.

Miss Maud Davis made a short visit at Prospect Friday. Mrs. Lena Scribner accompanied her.

A bright baby boy came to enhance the home of John Mathers, on Windsor street, Wednesday evening.

Lowest publishers prices on Ladies' Home Journal and 2000 other publications at Wiant's bookstore. daw

Miss Mamie Wildman, of Upper Sandusky, is also a guest at the Bland home on east Center street.

Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, who have been visiting friends here, returned Friday to Oswego, Kas.

Mrs. J. B. Layton left Thursday for Upper Sandusky to spend a week among friends at her old home.

Mrs. T. H. Malcolm, of Bucyrus, and Mrs. J. G. Hull, of Findlay, are visiting their sister, Mrs. G. H. Wright, on Bellefontaine avenue.

Milton M. Culp, of Marion, and Miss Ollie Selanders, of Dayton, were married Dec. 24, at the Reformed parsonage, Dayton, O., Rev. Hale officiating

Mrs. McKean and daughter, of Forest, Ohio, George Hempy and wife of the same city, and L. McKean, of Bellview, Ohio, are guests of J. E. Schaffer and family at the Busy Bee.

Mr. and Mrs. Fairmont Richerdson, of Oklahoma, spent Thursday at the home of their cousin, L. E. Rupp, while on their way home from a visit with Morrow county relatives.

Nearly all departments of the local manufactories were closed up Friday observing the New Year vacation. The county offices were nearly all closed up in observance of the day.

M. K. Cullaton, the Buffalo manager of the McDonnell & Sons' granite business, has been in the city a couple days, a guest of H. Myers, the Indianapolis manager who sells in this territory.

Delaware Gazette: Miss Marguerite Beatty, of Marion, after a delightful visit in our city, the guest of Miss Ollie Kingsbury, on west Central avenue, returned to her home in the above village today.

The Red Men gave a very successful dance at Music Hall Thursday evening. The hall was crowded, and dancing continued until 4 o'clock this morning. A Delaware orchestra furnished the music.

All Prohibitionists are requested to meet at W. C. T. U. rooms in Masonic block Tuesday evening, January 5th, 1892 at 7:30. Business of importance is to be considered.

M. C. Brady, Chairman.

Upper Sandusky Union: A woman with a baby in her arms and little tot at her side was in town last evening asking for aid. She presented a paper claiming her husband was killed on the railroad at Omaha, Neb., and that she was without means to get to her destination at Portsmouth, O. She was assisted to Marion.

Dr. Rhu and Dr. Hensley performed a very delicate and successful surgical operation on the three-months-old daughter of John M. Pickeral, of Mt. Vernon avenue, for the relief of a natural deformity, known as hare lip. It was of the character of double hare lip, having two fissures and cleft palate. The operation was very successful.

C. C. Fisher and Geo. H. VanFleet enter into a law partnership tomorrow, the firm name to be Fisher & Van Fleet. It is hardly necessary so state the belief that the partnership will prove popular and successful. Mr. Fisher's present office rooms, 1 and 2 in the Bennett block, will be refitted and refurnished, making a handsome office and will be occupied by the new firm

The Young Ladies' Musical club was at home to a large number of friends on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Keiler, on east Center street. The reception was given in honor of the gentlemen of the Tallywag order, and was a highly enjoyable event. Though the two clubs limit their membership to the respective sexes, yet they mingle on social occasions with decided pleasure.

Hon. J. J. Hane was at Columbus Friday, mingling with the crowd of politicians that fill the Neil House. Perhaps we ought not to give it away, but there was rumor floating around the Neil house Thursday night that the telegraph wire had hummed a simple lay, which in effect said "Senator Bain is uncertain." But the Senator was all right for Uncle John. There was an amusing scare, dear reader.

The Christmas number of the Western Horseman contains an excellent likeness of U. K. Guthery's handsome young stallion, Coaston, recently acquired by Mr. Guthery from the "Sunny Side Stock Farm." Coaston is a son of Bourbon Wilkes, the great race horse sire, and a full brother of Coastman, 2:16¼. Besides being a beauty Coaston has the breeding and already has shown speed. Mr. Guthery will campaign him some next season, and it is natural to expect him to make a mark creditable to his great sire.

Miss May Peters, of Columbus, is the guest of Miss Jennie Bartram.

C. E. Gregg, of Chicago, was the guest of H. C. Sharpless Wednesday.

R. L. Watkins, of Prospect, was in the city Wednesday night on business.

Messrs. George and Charley McMurray spent the day at Hepburn, O.

Jack Ross, of Urbana, was here in attendance at the Owl dance Wednesday night.

Harry Crawford, of Mansfield, is the guest of Harry J. Fisher in the city for a few days.

Mrs. Luella Daughtery, of Waverly, Ohio, is the guest of Miss Crete Burke, in this city.

Roger Greenslade, of Bellevue, is the guest of the Misses Porter, on east South street.

Harry Cockley, of Shelby, was here over Wednesday evening to attend the Owl club dance.

Miss B. Giuley, of Cleveland, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. J. McAndrews, on east Mark street.

Will Clement left Wednesday evening, via the Big Four, for Paris, Ill., to eat his New Year goose.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Leyman, of Knoxville, Tenn., are guests of Miss Mary Culbertson, on west South street.

Willie Snyder is working at the Marion junction telegraph office for a few days, S. D. White having been retired.

J. P. Brookins, an employe of the Huber shops, is removing from his east South street home to Shawnee, Ohio. His household goods were being shipped Thursday.

J. S. Barcus, chief advertiser of R. S. Peale & Co., who are putting out the Encyclopedia Brittannica on so favorable terms, was in the city Wednesday, looking over the work here.

D. A. Frank, the dry goods man, is quite sick at the home of his parents in Crestline. Mr. and Mrs. Frank went to Crestline Saturday night and Mr. Frank was taken ill there and was unable to return.

Charles T. Ellis and Company

[New York World, Sept. 29.]

When a man yodles himself into the favor and affections of theatre-goers he may count himself a fixture in popular esteem. It matters little what surroundings or conditions may be, what changes time might bring, just so long as he warbles the notes of the Tyrolese, and warbles them well, so long will he stand in the front rank of the accepted.

Charles T. Ellis caught the popular ear long ago and has been singing the songs of the mountains for years, but last night his yodling was especially appreciated by the people who filled the Grand and gave him full measure of credit for every effort. Ellis' work has the brand of freshness, and all the prominent features of his "Casper, the Yodler," are marked by an ambitious spirit. Every member of the company appeared in a favorable light. Clara Moore must, of course, be considered with the star, for that lady has shared his success from the start. She was in great humor last night and gave an unctuous interpretation of a Milesian housekeeper, all of her efforts going with a soft turn and gurgling bilarity while her songs caught the fancy like a flash.

Ella Gardiner and Marion Ballou, the other ladies of the company, carried themselves nicely, while James Vincent, Benson H. Pierce and Vivian Osborne did creditable work. There are two precocious children in the cast who are particularly good, one, Florrie O'Brien, being a mite of much promise. The other tot's name is Mattie Grier.

The mounting of the play was up to the requirements.

At Music Hall Monday night.

Real Estate Transfers.

B. Tristram to Elizabeth Goodman, lot 1180 in Marion, $250.

Jacob Burger to A. H. Kling, lot 37 in Marion, $1200.

A. H. Kling to James Feaster, lot 2332 in Marion, $350.

Huber, Chase & Hunter to John Berringer, lot 2831 in Marion, $200.

Edward Huber to Chas. I. Gardner, lot 1384 in Marion, $1000.

Michael Dietsch to Markert & Schoenlaub, lot 854 in Marion, $950.

Sarah Harris to Charles Lederman, to undivided ⅓ interest in lots 57 and 58 in Marion, $10,000.

J. A. Merchant to the city of Marion, 9-100 of an acre in Marion corporation, $25.

A. H. Kling to James Feaster, ⅓ acre in Marion corporation, $400.

Mary O'Donnell, by sheriff, to Patrick O'Donnell, ¼ acre in Marion corporation, $367.

O. E. Perry to J. N. and John W. Earick, 20½ acres in Prospect corporation, $975.

Thos. Storer to Andy Zeichmer, 15 acres in Big Island tp., $515.

Benj. Marks to Herbert and Pearl Davis, 4½ acres in Big Island tp., $1200.

Lovina Miller to Sallie Bonnett, lots 188, 189 and 190 in New Bloomington, $400.

Laura O'Hara to Andrew O'Hara, lots 58 and 59 in LaRue, $1200.

James Hindman, assignee, to Abraham Burkhardt, 117 acres in Tully tp., $4036.

Marion as an Example.

[Delaware Press.]

"You never see cheap John fakirs nor street corner swindlers in Marion," remarked a prominent business man to a Press reporter. "The license there is $50 per day and the Delaware council would do well to follow Marion's example in this respect. It is a shame that our merchants, who live here and pay heavy taxes, should be compelled to compete with traveling shoddy goods venders. The matter should be remedied at once."

TO HIS ETERNAL REST

Elias T. Falk, a Pleasant Township Pioneer, Unexpectedly Summoned.

With the dying embers of the old year, after the successes, happiness and vexations perhaps of a long and creditable career, the life of another old Marion county pioneer goes out to that world so full of hope but of which so little is known. Elias T. Falk, of Pleasant township, died at his home four miles south of this city Thursday morning, having reached the age of nearly 75 years.

The circumstances of Mr. Falk's death are of the unexpected. Wednesday night he was in his usual health, having eaten a hearty supper. During the night, however, his groans attracted the attention of his wife, and she called attention to them. After this he remained quiet until early morning, when Mrs. Falk again went to his bedside. This time she was unable to get any response from him. She hurried out to awake her daughter, and when they returned to the bedside the aged husband and father was dead.

The deceased had been troubled with organic heart trouble, and to this cause his death was attributable. His health in recent years has been poor, but by the sternness and force of his nature he has been enabled to be around.

A few years since, having given up all business, Mr. Falk removed to this city, but a couple years was all he desired of town life and he retired to his country home with the intention of remaining there during life. He enjoyed an extensive acquaintance in this city and surrounding country, and is remembered as a kind and agreeable old gentleman. He leaves a wife and four children.

The funeral services will be held Saturday at 11 o'clock a. m., and the remains will be buried at the Pleasant church.

STOLE A WATCH

The Proprietor of a Silver Street Boarding House Loses a Timepiece and a Boarder.

Daniel Sherwood and wife moved here some time ago from Fremont and opened up a boarding house on Silver street in one of the O'Regan properties Mr. Sherwood owned a silver watch, valued at $12, and Wednesday night he lent it to one of his boarders. Mr. Sherwood was not in when the boarder returned the watch and his wife laid it on a mantel, but the next morning the watch was missing and so was one of his boarders, Harry May, and it is thought that he took the watch, as he is known to be "crooked."

May worked on the sewer here, and claimed that his home was in Dayton and it is thought that he went to that city or to some place where he could get work on some kind of trench excavating. Some weeks ago Mr. Fremont gave May a statement of his board—amounting to twenty-five days, and when it was turned over to Mr. Hurley, sewer contractor, it only charged him with twenty days board, as he had lowered the statement to beat his board bill. He skipped out after the board bill escapade, but returned in a short time and begged that he might again be allowed to board at the Sherwood house, saying that he would make his payment all right and settle up the difference in the settlement of his previous bill.

A Waldo Affair.

[Delaware Press, Dec. 30th.]

Last evening there occurred a little skirmish in the little village of Waldo which may result in more serious an outcome than is now expected. Some young residents of that place were enjoying themselve visiting one business place and then another when several of the number became too obstreperous for the comfort and happiness of the proprietors of the establishment. One party was requested to "produce a vacuum," and, with the muscular assistance of the "man of the house" did so. He returned. It was not long however, until a young man named Jas. Brundage, son of Charles Brundage, came from the inside of this place, where liquor is dealt out, with several gashes about his head. He repaired to Dr. J. R. Hipple where his injuries received necessary attention. It is not known just how serious the injuries are.

A Delightful Surprise.

More than fifty guests of the Christian church and Sunday school, awaited at the residence of J. W. Headley his arrival on a summons to see some friends. The event being his 33d birthday, his wife planned and with the help of friends perpetrated a complete surprise. After the presentation of a beautiful and easy chair, refreshments were served by the hostess and the evening was spent in social chat and entertainment. Also I must mention that a handsome napkin ring was the gift of two guests. When the breaking up time came all returned home leaving wishes for many happy returns of the occasion.

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Wedding at Caledonia.

An unostentatious but pleasant wedding occurred at Caledonia Thursday evening, being the marriage of Elza H. Decker, of DesMoines, Ia., and Miss Bud L. Hart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hart, of Caledonia. The ceremony occurred at the M. E. church at 7:30 o'clock, in the presence of a number of invited guests, Rev. H. C. Martindale officiating. The ceremony was succeeded by a reception at the home of the bride's parents, attended by relatives and intimate friends of the contracting parties.

Mr. and Mrs. Decker left the same evening for Des Moines, Ia., where they will make their future home.

AN IMPORTANT DEAL

Charles Lederman Purchases a One-Third Interest in the Kerr House Block.

A deal has been on the past couple months between Mrs. Sarah Harris, one-third owner of the Kerr house block, and Charles Lederman, which was consummated Thursday by Mr. Lederman purchasing Mrs. Harris' undivided interest in that building, the price paid being $10,000. Mr. Lederman is to be congratulated on this very successful purchase. Being a tenant of the building he is given advantages he has not heretofore possessed, and Mr. Lederman intimates that the change may possibly result in some improvement.

It will be remembered the Kerr house was purchased at a partition sale not long since by M. F. Ensminger, Mrs. Mary Linn and Mrs. Harris for $30,000, which was $15,000 below the appraisement, and considered a good investment. The owners of the building now are M. F. Ensminger, Chas. Lederman and Mrs. Mary Linn, with undivided interests.

Osbun-Peters Nuptials.

Wednesday evening, Dec. 30, was a scene of festivity at the home of A. J. Peters, nine miles north of Marion. The occasion was the marriage of his daughter, Josie C. to Mr. R. E. Osbun, of near Morral, O. By 8 o'clock the guests to the number of ninety, were assembled in the spacious parlors awaiting the entrance of the bridal party which slowly and appropriately found its way thither under the melodious strains of the wedding march, rendered by Miss Dell Gray, an accomplished musician, in a manner so soft and musical as to fascinate the already anxious guests. Frank Reber served as best man and Miss Allie Peters, sister of the bride attired in a beautiful suit of pink, acted charmingly in the capacity of bridesmaid. Rev. Sutton, chaplain of the Ohio penitentiary, performed the ceremony in his usual elegant and impressive manner. The bride, as brides usually do, looked lovely in cream colored albatross and lace, while she carried a beautiful bouquet of smilax and white carnations. The groom in a suit of gray was not less interesting as portrayed to us by his beaming countenance.

After congratulations a sumptuous repast of both substantials and delicacies that more than gratified the satiate appetites of all and portrayed to all the capacity of the household in preparing such a supper as cannot be excelled, was served.

The guests from abroad were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Drake, of Kenton, O., Mr. and Mrs. D. Morral, of DeCliff, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Peters and daughter, of Pittsburg, A. Peters and Miss Chrissie Peters, of St. Paul, O., S. S. Robinson, of Miami county, Misses Dell and Grace Gray, of Cochranton, and Mrs. B. Hawk, of Oberlin. Marion was represented by Mr. and Mrs. E. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. James Reynolds and daughter, Nellie, Miss Kate Dee, Chas. Dee and W. B. Everett.

The bridal pair were the recipients of many valuable presents of both use and beauty which attest the esteem in which they are held by their friends.

At an early hour the newly wedded couple departed for Marion from whence they went to Columbus for a short wedding tour.

The guests spent the time socially until the lateness of the hour warned them that this evening like all evenings must have an end, and all departed feeling that much of their enjoyment was due to the charming powers of entertainment possessed by Misses Jennie and Hattie, and wishing many similar occasions at the Peters household.

A Guest.

Monday Night's Attraction.

[Philadelphia Star, Dec. 8.]

Charles T. Ellis, in "Casper, the Yodler," began a week's engagement at the Empire last evening before a large audience. "Casper, the Yodler" is a comedy-drama, and the story deals with the unfortunate marriage of a girl to a scoundrel, who is afterward sent to jail, and upon his release therefrom tries to blackmail his wife by means of an abducted child, who eventually is proven to be the lost brother of Casper, a German minstrel. A series of complications extend throughout the three acts, which are enlivened by means of songs and comic acting of two Irish domestics. Charles T. Ellis, the Yodler, appeared successfully as Nipum O'Reilly, a detective, and Katrina Statzenberger, a Dutch female, and in all he played his parts exceedingly well. Others of the cast were James Vincent, as Sir Robert Swanton; Miss Clara Moore, as Lettie Lennon, and Charles W. Swain, as Patrick Macgillicuddy.

A Lucky Find.

H. G. Shumaker Monday lost $20 in currency and advertised the same, with little hope of finding the amount, however It was a matter of pleasant surprise then when the young man's mother found the money Tuesday afternoon. While walking along south West street she remembered nearly the place where her son supposed he had lost the money, and by careful search she found the full amount. It had lain out in the rain all of Monday night and Tuesday forenoon undisturbed.

The Most Pleasant Way

Of preventing the grip, colds, headaches, and fevers is to use the liquid laxative remedy Syrup of Figs, whenever the system needs a gentle, yet effective cleansing. To be benefited one must get the true remedy, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company only. For sale by all druggists in 50c and $1 bottles.

SYRUP of FIGS

ONE ENJOYS

Both the method and results when Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant and refreshing to the taste, and acts gently yet promptly on the Kidneys Liver and Bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and cures habitual constipation. Syrup of Figs is the only remedy of its kind ever produced, pleasing to the taste and acceptable to the stomach, prompt in its action and truly beneficial in its effects, prepared only from the most healthy and agreeable substances, its many excellent qualities commend it to all and have made it the most popular remedy known.

Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50c and $1 bottles by all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who may not have it on hand will procure it promptly for any one who wishes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.
LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N.Y

NEW INCORPORATED BANK!

THE old Marion County Bank has transferred its business and name to the Inrorporated Marion County Bank with a capital of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars.

The officers remain the same as in the old Bank,

J. S. REED, Pres.,
HENRY TRUE, Cash.,
W. H. SCHAFFNER, Asst. Cash.

School Examinations.

THE School Examiners of Marion County, Ohio will meet for the examination of teachers

January 30th.
February 13th.
February 27th.
March 12th.
March 26th.
April 9th.

Examination will commence at 9 a.m., and no application will be received after 10 a.m. All examinations will be written, and positively no private examinations will be granted. A fee of 50 cents will be charged on admission to the examination, and each applicant will furnish an envelope, stamped and addressed to him or herself, in which a certificate or notice of failure will be forwarded. Applicants will be graded on a scale of 10. No certificate will be granted when the grade in any branch of study falls below 5. An average of

7 secures a Certificate for 1 year.
8 " " 2 years.
9 " " 3 years.

Knowledge of the theory and practice of teaching and success in the school room will also be taken into consideration in determining the class of certificate.

LEWIS RANCK,
R. G. YOUNG, } Examiners.
U. K. GUTHERY,

Bowling Green.

There has been several literary societies organized and in good running order in and around our township. The questions for discussion at their next session will be: Resolved "That There is More Happiness in Pursuit than Possession;" Resolved "That There is More Real Benefit Gained by Persuasion than Compulsion" and Resolved "That Our People Suffer More from War than Intemperance."

A protracted effort will commence next Sunday at Fairview, and our pastor invites us to get ready for the coming event.

Mr. Wasserback won the gravel road that he has worked so faithly for. The surveyor was on the road the 17th inst.

The gaming time is gone for this season. We have quite a number of trespassers who have no premises of their own and are continually intruding on others' farms. An example should be made of some of these.

Jan. 1. The.

How's Your Liver?

Is the Oriental salutation, knowing that good health cannot exist without a healthy Liver. When the Liver is torpid the Bowels are sluggish and constipated, the food lies in the stomach undigested, poisoning the blood; frequent headache ensues; a feeling of lassitude, despondency and nervousness indicate how the whole system is deranged. Simmons Liver Regulator has been the means of restoring more people to health and happiness by giving them a healthy Liver than any agency known on earth. It acts with extraordinary power and efficacy.

NEVER BEEN DISAPPOINTED.

As a general family remedy for dyspepsia, Torpid Liver, Constipation, etc., I hardly ever use anything else, and have never been disappointed in the effect produced; it seems to be almost a perfect cure for all diseases of the Stomach and Bowels.

W. J. McElroy, Macon, Ga.

Science Progress

STONEHENGE.

The Astronomical Significance of Great Britain's Interesting Monument.

There is no more mysterious pre-historic monument in Great Britain than the wonderful group of "standing stones" which form so conspicuous an object upon Salisbury plain. Volumes have been written as to the age and purpose of this monument, but absolutely nothing is certainly known. It was erected in an age and by peoples that have passed entirely out of human memory. The popular tradition considers Stonehenge to be a temple of the ancient Druids, but there is no historical basis for the belief; and, on the other hand, there is nothing to show that it might not have been such a temple. Only a portion of the stones are standing in their original position, but enough are left to give a good idea of the original plan of the edifice. It was composed of about 139 stones, and the general plan was that of a double circle of stones inclosing two ovals, which formed, perhaps, the sanctuary of the temple. The great circle was composed of enormous perpendicular stones, about twenty feet high, supporting a row of horizontal ones, as shown in the engraving, which are secured in their place by well formed mortises and tenons.

THE MYSTERIOUS PRE-HISTORIC MONUMENT.

In the center of the edifice is a block of stone sunk low in the ground, which is popularly called the altar stone. At some distance to the northeast and standing outside of the circle is a separate monolith known as the "Friar's Heel." It has always been stated, as showing the astronomical knowledge of the builders of Stonehenge, that on June 21, or the summer solstice, the rays of the rising sun shine directly over the Friar's Heel and fall upon the altar stone in the center. If this were true it would show that Stonehenge was built by a people well advanced in civilization, and add weight to the theory that it was a temple connected with the ancient sun worship. To prove the truth of this belief two English gentlemen, Messrs. Bacon and Howe, made a pilgrimage to Stonehenge on the night preceding the 21st of last June. Popular Science News tells that they placed a camera on the altar stone facing the Friar's Heel and patiently awaited the dawn. As the sun appeared above the horizon the exposure was made and the old tradition verified. As shown in the engraving—a copy of the photograph, and reproduced from La Nature—the sun, as seen from the central altar, appears to rise directly over the exterior monolith. Evidently the ancient builders of this remarkable edifice must have had considerable astronomical knowledge to determine the time of the summer solstice so accurately.

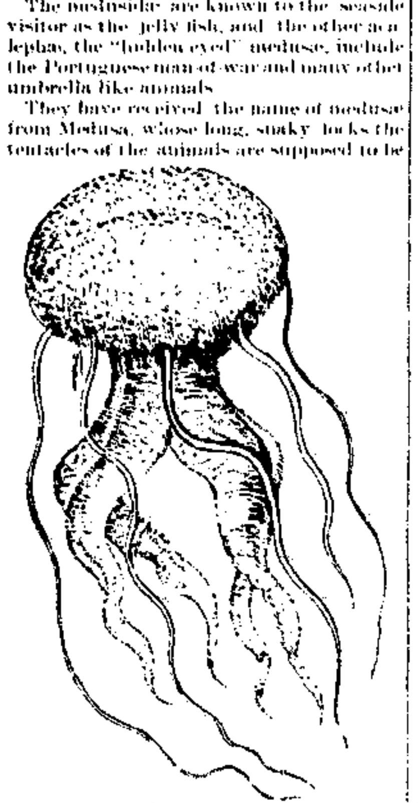
Birds Prefer Drab Nests.

Dr. C. C. Abbott says that in experimenting on the intelligence of birds he placed a number of pieces of woolen yarn—red, yellow, green, purple and gray in color—near a tree in which a couple of Baltimore orioles were building their nest. The pieces were all exactly alike except in color. There was an equal number of threads in each color, the red and yellow being purposely placed on top. The birds chose only the duller colors, taking all of the gray and a few threads of the purple when the nest was nearly done. Not a single thread of the red or bright yellow was touched, the birds seeming to instinctively know that such loud colors would make their domicile too conspicuous. Again he experimented by girdling the branches upon which nests were located, causing the leaves to shrivel and blow away. Although they had laid their eggs the birds invariably left their nests. If the nests contained young when the leaves dried up, notwithstanding the exposure, they would feed the little ones until they were able to take care of themselves.

The Medusidae.

The medusidae are known to the seaside visitor as the jelly fish, and the other acalephas, the "hidden eyed" medusæ, include the Portuguese man-of-war and many other umbrella like animals.

They have received the name of medusæ from Medusa, whose long, snaky locks the tentacles of the animals are supposed to be like. Some of these "floating umbrellas" are very dangerous, and will inflict severe stings upon any one in their vicinity. The tentacles or filaments extend for a long distance, and bathers should be cautious. They are beautiful to contemplate, particularly at night. The pulsation of the "umbrella" or bell enables the animal to swim, and the even undulations of this beautiful covering are apparently caused by nervous contractions.



A CURIOUS INHABITANT OF THE SEA.

A Good Cold Cream.

A very simple and efficacious cream for the hands may be prepared as follows: Take two ounces of lanoline and two ounces of glycerin, place in a small jelly can and stand it in a warm oven until the lanoline is entirely melted. Then add a few drops of attar of roses, lavender or rose water and stir the whole briskly while cooling, otherwise the lanoline and glycerin will separate. Lanoline is one of the best skin emolluments, but is rather hard to rub in unless combined with a softer substance.

The Curiosity Shop

FOLK LORE OF THE HOLIDAYS

Traditions and Superstitions Relating to New Year's Eve, New Year's Day, Etc.

If New Year's eve night wind blow south,
It betokeneth warmth and growth;
If west, much milk and fish in the sea;
If north, much cold and storms there will be;
If east, the trees will bear much fruit;
If northeast, flee it, man and brute.

Empty pockets and empty cupboards on New Year's eve have long portended, with those who believe in auguries, a year of poverty. A fresh suit of clothes to be worn on New Year's day, taking care that the pockets contain money, is supposed to insure one's being well dressed with a well filled purse throughout the year, a supposition which appears not unreasonable in the case of those who have managed to emerge in such good shape from the season of Christmas gift giving.

Single people are advised in popular folk lore to take note of the Christian name of the first person they see of the opposite sex on New Year's morning, as it will prove to be that of the future husband or wife. According to the advice of "wise women," you ought to encourage all persons with dark hair and eyes to enter your house as first visitors on New Year's morning, for a light complexioned person, especially one with red hair, bodes ill luck and misfortune during the year. According to this same lore a woman should never be allowed to enter the house first on Christmas day; it is an ill omen.

In many houses the fire is never allowed to be extinguished during or on the eve of the New Year. You are also advised to burn all Christmas decorations in the shape of holly and ivy by the twelfth day or your house will be haunted by evil spirits.

The desire that the first comer of the new year should not be empty handed is expressed by the old English rhyme:

Take out and then take in,
Bad luck will begin;
Take in and then take out,
Good luck comes about.

Should a single person by any chance have two spoons placed in or beside a single cup, it is a sign of marriage before the close of the year, unless the event happens on the 31st of December, when marriage may be looked for during the following year.

Wonders of the English Language.

The construction of the English language must appear most formidable to a foreigner. One of them looking at a picture of a number of vessels said, "See what a flock of ships!" He was told that a flock of ships was called a fleet, and that a fleet of sheep was called a flock. And it was added for his guidance in mastering the intricacies of our language that "a flock of girls is called a bevy, that a bevy of wolves is called a pack, and a pack of thieves is called a gang, and a gang of angels is called a host, and a host of porpoises is called a shoal, and a shoal of buffaloes is called a herd, and a herd of children is called a troop, and a troop of partridges is called a covey, and a covey of beauties is called a galaxy, and a galaxy of ruffians is called a horde, and a horde of rubbish is called a heap, and a heap of oxen is called a drove, and a drove of blackguards is called a mob, and a mob of whales is called a school, and a school of worshipers is called a congregation, and a congregation of engineers is called a corps, and a corps of robbers is called a band, and a band of locusts is called a swarm, and a swarm of people is called a crowd."

Celestial Empire and Flowery Kingdom.

Dr. Williams, in his work on "The Middle Kingdom," says: "The term now frequently heard in western countries, 'the Celestial empire,' is derived from Tien Chau —i. e., 'Heavenly Dynasty,' meaning the kingdom which the dynasty appointed by heaven rules over; but the term 'Celestials,' for the people of that kingdom, is entirely of foreign manufacture, and their language could with difficulty be made to express such a patronymic. The phrase Li Min, or 'Black Haired Race,' is a common appellation, the expressions Hwa Yen, the 'Flowery Language,' and Chung Hwa Kwoh, the 'Middle Flowery Kingdom,' are also frequently used for the written language of the country, because the Chinese consider themselves to be among the most polished and civilized of all nations—which is the sense of hwa (translated 'flowery') in these phrases."

An Ancient and Historic Edible.

Of all edible peals, it is believed that the bean has been the longest known and most widely cultivated. It was used as food by the ancient Jews and considered sacred by the Greeks and Romans, says an authority. A temple dedicated to Kyanetes, called the god of beans, formerly stood on the sacred road near Eleusis. Kyanetes was called the god of beans because he was the first to cultivate them for food. The bean feast, which the Athenians celebrated in honor of Apollo, was characterized by the excessive use of beans. The Egyptians, contrary to the nations above mentioned, considered beans unclean and would not venture to touch them. Pythagoras admonished his scholars, "Abstain from beans." The natives of Egypt and most oriental nations look upon the black speck on the wings of the bean flower as the written character of death.

The Montezumas—The Alamo.

The Montezumas were two of the emperors of ancient Mexico. Montezuma I ascended the throne about 1437. He died in 1471. Montezuma II, the last of the Mexican emperors before its subjugation by the Spaniards, succeeded to the throne in 1502. He died June 30, 1520.

During the Texan war of independence 140 Texans were besieged in a fort called the Alamo, near San Antonio, by 4,000 Mexicans. Santa Anna finally stormed the place, and six Texans who survived the conflict were subsequently murdered after surrendering under a promise of protection. As the Detroit Free Press briefly explains, "Remember the Alamo!" was ever after a thrilling Texan war cry.

Derivations of a Few Common Names.

Blankets, it is said, were named after their first makers, three brothers of Bristol, England, named Edward, Edmund and Thomas Blanket, who established a large trade in this article of woolen goods, and were the earliest manufacturers of it in the middle of the Fourteenth century.

Cambrics, we are told, came from Cambray, a town in French Flanders famous for its fine linens, and damask originated in Damascus.

Calico is derived from Calicut, on the Malabar coast, and muslin from Mousoul, a city of Asiatic Turkey, giving evidence that though these goods are now sent to India and the east they were originally imported thence.

The Household

FASHIONABLE EMBROIDERIES.

Exquisitely Colored Designs in French and Dresden China Styles.

Since Louis Quinze furniture has become so popular, materials used with it are French in design and decoration. Some examples of this style are very attractive.

A piano slip of electric blue plush is decorated at the ends with roses, lightly arranged and tied with bows. A mantel drapery of ruby plush is extremely effective. The mantel board cover and drapery are in one piece, a more popular fashion now than the cover and border. Along the front are three separate designs, the largest in the center; between these the plush should be slightly caught up with cords. Golden scrolls half hidden by softly shaded pink roses kept in place with blue bows, all worked in filoselle, form the design.

In the style known as Du Barri the flowers are conventional but the grouping is very light and the general effect and coloring are decidedly French. Silvery blue, pink and gray shades, with soft green for foliage, are used with delightful result on a reseda faille cushion cover. On linen teacloths, serviettes, sideboard slips and toilet table covers the French decorations prove very appropriate; they are dainty and the coloring is not too strong.

Among other novelties is one which is sure to be liked on account of the rapidity with which it can be carried out. To give an idea of it, we describe one example. On a ground of fawn faille is a bold, simple spray of conventional flowers. All the petals and leaves are outlined with gold thread. Within the outlines the flowers are slightly shaded with colored filoselles, the stitches perhaps about half an inch in length. The rest of the petals and the center of the leaves are left quite plain, but the flowers have worked centers.

For hemstitched linen articles a charming design is a waved ribbon through which are twined floral sprays.

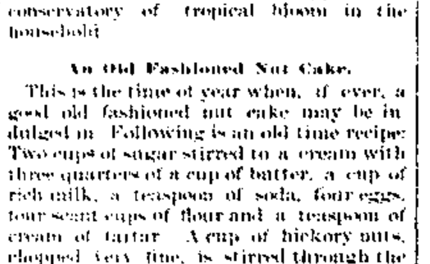
Another effective design consists of a tiny circle worked thickly with filoselle, and from this falls a shower of colored stitches suggestive of fireworks. These "golden showers" are scattered over the linen.

A pretty idea is shown in rose petals thrown over sachets, nightdress cases and comb bags. Damask, blush and tea roses each contribute their quota, and the result is a charming blending of shades. Just a sprinkling of potpourri in the lining and the idea is realized.

As Dresden china is fashionable, so are to be seen the daintiest of white linen spreads (for the white and gold beds now in such favor), over which are scattered flower sprays in Dresden china style. The flowers are worked in Kensington stitches and in colors copied from the china.

Drawn Work.

Daintiest and most delicate of all fancy work is that done by drawing the threads of linen. It is always in fashion because always artistic. Just now, however, it is even more than usually popular as a finish for linen of all kinds of household use, including sheets, pillow cases, towels, toilet mats and covers, etc. Our cut, reproduced from The Housekeeper, shows a very pretty insertion, which is made as follows:



DRAWN WORK INSERTION.

Draw all the threads, parallel with selvage, in a space one inch in width.

Divide the remaining threads in groups of six or more threads by hemstitch on each edge of drawn work.

Join five of these groups into one by knot stitch at a point two-fifths of distance from one hemstitch edge; after knotting carry three groups together with thread to a point two-fifths distance from opposite hemstitch edge, add two more groups and knot. Repeat the process, carrying two groups, and make the knot parallel with first knot.

The waving lines are easily put in from the design, using the same knot stitch wherever the threads intersect.

The Newest Tint in Household Decoration.

The love of green is typical of a subtle artistic temperament, according to Decorator and Furnisher, which says that green is now one of the leading tints in household and table adornment. The daintiest and freshest of boudoirs are fitted out in pale green and white muslin hangings and couches and canopies, after the style of the room in which Mme. Recamier once lived and dreamed of conquests past and to come. Green dinners and lunches are a refreshing change from the more brilliant floral and beribboned feasts, and the latest outcome of this higher education in the ethics of colors is that the fernery, with its cool verdure and mosses, is to supplant the conservatory of tropical bloom in the household.

An Old Fashioned Nut Cake.

This is the time of year when, if ever, a good old fashioned nut cake may be indulged in. Following is an old time recipe: Two cups of sugar stirred to a cream with three quarters of a cup of butter, a cup of rich milk, a teaspoon of soda, four eggs, four scant cups of flour and a teaspoon of cream of tartar. A cup of hickory nuts, chopped very fine, is stirred through the cake just before it is put in the oven. It should be baked in large, brick shaped loaves, iced with a thick icing, through which half a cup of hickory nuts have been stirred.

Golden Johnny Cake.

Many persons remember with delight the golden johnny cake of their youth. This is, according to one authority, the way it can be made: Cook in a steamer and mash fine one small Hubbard squash; thicken one pint of milk with squash pulp until it is of the consistency of rich cream; sweeten with sugar; take three parts Indian meal, one part flour and make the usual johnny cake batter, adding an egg, baking powder, a few raisins and currants and a pinch of salt. Bake in a good oven.

Roast Duck.

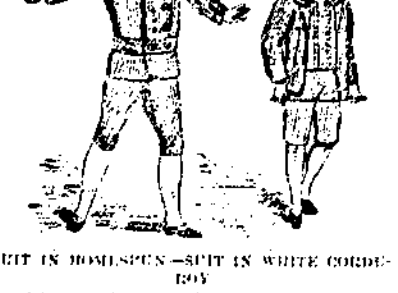
Ducks to be good must be cooked rare, for this reason it is best not to stuff them, but to cut an onion in two and put it into the body of the bird, then truss and dredge with salt, pepper and flour and roast in a quick oven thirty minutes. Serve with currant jelly and a sauce made the same as for turkey.

Fashions

SUITS FOR LITTLE BOYS.

Shirts of Soft Silk and Jackets and Coats of White Washing Corduroy.

The attention of mothers who desire picturesque costumes for their little boys is attracted to the soft silk shirts, with tiny frills carried around the collar and down the front, worn with a jacket made of white corduroy. Such jackets are generally made with revers. They look well also in navy blue with a red striped jacket, or in white corduroy with a pale blue blouse and white frills. In the accompanying cut is shown a charming little suit of white washing corduroy, suitable for a boy from three to six years old. The loose coat is worn over a full shirt of pale blue surah, with large collar and frills of cream colored silk. The larger suit represented by the larger figure in the same cut is made in fawn colored homespun. The trousers are confined at the knee with three buttons. The double breasted jacket is confined about the waist with a broad belt.



SUIT IN HOMESPUN—SUIT IN WHITE CORDUROY.

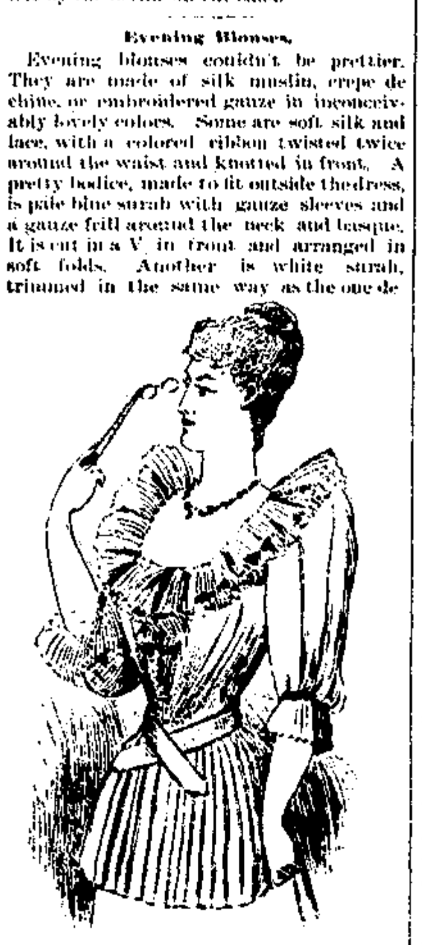
A picturesque outdoor garment is a little white corduroy coat falling full from the shoulders to the hem of the skirt, the fullness headed by a deep frill on the shoulders composed at the throat of Irish point lace. A white felt tricorn hat trimmed with three pompons is becomingly worn with the white coats. Double breasted coats of white plush are also seen, and these also clean well. Nothing is so becoming or so well worn for little children as white, and white cloth, white velvet and white felt hats are alike trimmed with beaver—a pretty contrast.

The Diversity in Silks.

There is a great diversity in the silk fabrics this season, and in many of these the idea is moire. Most of the silks have satin stripes introduced of different widths and of intermixed colorings. A new design has shaded stripes about an inch wide, in two or three tones on a white or black ground, and sometimes shot. Five music lines, each of a different color, are another feature, and one of the new shades is the china blue. In brocades the Louis Quinze patterns, with large shells, out of which flowers seem to pour, are taking the place of bows, and are rather newer than the baskets. Such patterns appear on black grounds in one uniform color, such as old rose or heliotrope. For bridal gowns large satin knots appear on a peau de soie ground, and a bold and beautiful pattern in bridal brocade shows a large Louis XV basket, with oats, roses and marguerites; but white moire will be worn for weddings, striped with satin. Black moires of a similar make are striped with colors. Some handsome silks have large tassels brocaded in white on yellow, forming a part of a handsome Spanish fringe brocaded on the material. Those who want a really useful black gown should take advantage of some pretty brocaded satin in several patterns. The brocaded velvets on silk and satin grounds are nearly all in geometric styles or curiously waved, like the ripples left by the ocean on the sand.

Evening Blouses.

Evening blouses couldn't be prettier. They are made of silk muslin, crepe de chine, or embroidered gauze in inconceivably lovely colors. Some are soft silk and lace, with a colored ribbon twisted twice around the waist and knotted in front. A pretty bodice, made to fit outside the dress, is pale blue surah with gauze sleeves and a gauze frill around the neck and basque. It is cut in a V in front and arranged in soft folds. Another is white surah, trimmed in the same way as the one described, with scalloped frills of pink embroidered gauze. It has long sleeves, trimmed all the way up with gauze. One that is both substantial and pretty is of black surah with a trimming of tiny black feathers around the neck, and short sleeves.



BLOUSE IN SURAH SILK.

In the accompanying illustration is shown an attractive blouse in surah silk, the trimmings of which consist of kilting of the same around the neck, and elbow sleeves.

The Loose Back Coat.

The latest thing in outdoor attire—only ultrafashionable women are wearing it yet, but it will be the rage presently—is the loose back coat. In shape it is almost the same as a man's covert coat, with a pocket on each side for the hands, a rolled over collar, and large pearl buttons at the side. It is usually made of box cloth, serge, or velvet, lined with silk to match, or tartan.

Qui Vive?

The French qui vive (who goes there?) is the challenge of a French sentinel. To be on the qui vive means to be on the alert, to be quick and sharp, to be on the tiptoe of expectation, like a sentinel on guard.

Good Health

POPULAR CORN CURES.

How Some of the Newest and Most Effective Remedies Are Compounded.

In "Notes on New Remedies," Dr. H. M. Whelpley tells in Popular Science News that probably the most popular corn cures depend on the action of salicylic acid. Among the many therapeutic properties of this comparatively new remedy is its power to disintegrate epithelial tissue. It is usually combined with cannabis indica. Dr. Whelpley says: "The form I have found useful is to mix nine parts of salicylic acid with one part of extract of cannabis indica and forty-eight parts of collodion. This is applied to the corn every night with a camel's hair brush. The foot should be clean before it is applied and the mixture permitted to thoroughly dry before it comes in contact with clothing.

I am aware that there are several other formulas published for this same mixture, and that they usually call for less of the salicylic acid, but I believe the above amount should be used in order to get good results.

A salicylic acid corn plaster is made by mixing six parts of resin and adding five parts of balsam of fir, and then stirring in ten parts of salicylic acid as it cools. This can be spread on any suitable medium for a plaster. When used the corn must not be rubbed with the shoe.

Lanolin forms the basis of another salicylic acid plaster and cocaine is added with the idea of making it painless.

A solution for the cure of corns has been made by dissolving thirty grains of tannic acid in one ounce of a mixture of equal parts of tincture of iodine, acetic acid and glycerin.

News and Notes.

A foreign medical journal records the successful use in a number of cases of a plate of polished celluloid for closing the opening in the skull left by the operation of trephining.

One of the most common causes of dyspepsia is eating heartily when the system is tired and jaded. When exhausted by either mental or physical work we are usually ravenously hungry, and of course turn to food as the means of restoration. The fact is seldom appreciated that the stomach is not in a condition to work well and that a slight interval of rest is advisable before eating.

An Austrian regimental surgeon has drawn a comparison between the wounds caused by the new small caliber bullets and those made by less recent forms of projectiles. He pronounces in favor of the former, saying that the soft parts are less bruised and the bones less shattered. At fighting distances the bullets hardly ever remain in the body, and the wounds are smooth, clean and of small diameter—conditions giving fair chances of recovery.

When the head is in natural poise the chin will be held in even line, neither lifted nor depressed, the eyes looking straight forward in military order, "touching the ground forty paces in front."

Etiquette

DRAWING ROOM MEETINGS.

One Way in Which Society Assists Philanthropic Enterprises.

The English fashion of holding "drawing room meetings" finds increasing favor because of its convenience when it is important that persons whose interest is desired in some philanthropic movement should become known to each other and to the promoters of the undertaking. At a drawing room meeting social amenities and exchange of ideas can take place almost without interruption, a thing impossible on a public platform. Another point in favor of drawing room meetings is that many ladies incapable of doing much toward helping on some meritorious scheme are glad to place their drawing rooms at the disposal of more active workers and to thus save the hire of a suitable hall or place of meeting—a no inconsiderable drain upon the funds of any young and small society, and, to mention a small point—the refreshments—tea, coffee, etc., which are always given at its conclusion, is a further social element toward success. Again, drawing room meetings are held in the afternoon and the most occupied of women can spare half an hour to look in and hear an address.

The arrangements, according to English etiquette, are carried out with little variation, although the invitations are not always in exactly the same words. One printed form, for example, will run thus: "A drawing room meeting" (first line); then, in smaller type, "will be held at 20 Clinton avenue, by kind permission of Mrs. Graham, on Wednesday, Jan. 3, on behalf of," etc. On the next line is the information that "—— has kindly consented to preside and an address will be given by," etc. If any well known name can be inserted it is usual to do so. On the next line, "The pleasure of your company is earnestly invited." "Tea and coffee 5:30 p. m." is put in one corner of the card. "R. S. V. P." and the address in the other. On this form the name of the person to whom the invitation is given is not written, and the cards are distributed by the members of a society to their friends and to their friends' friends.

Another and more friendly form runs thus:

"Mrs. —— at home;" above this is the name of the person "and friends" invited; at the top of the card the name of the society; under the words "At home" is given the date, the day, and the hour, and the names of the different gentlemen by whom addresses will be given. In one corner, as before, is the address, and in the other "Tea and coffee at four" and "R. S. V. P." When an invitation to a drawing room meeting is in this wise, it is usual for the hostess to shake hands with all comers, and strangers are introduced to her by their friends; but when the invitations are issued in the first form, the lady in whose house the meeting is held does not come forward to receive the whole of the company.

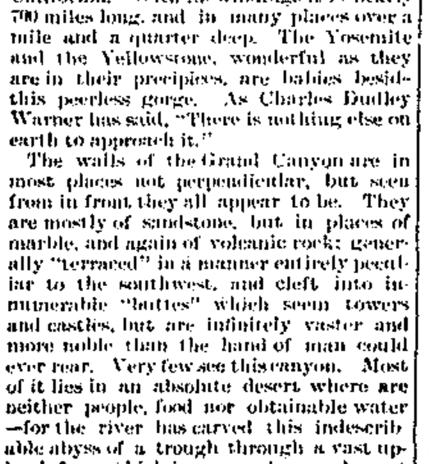
The arrangements for these meetings are very simple. The speakers place themselves in the most convenient part of the room, a small table is close at hand for books, papers, etc., and rows of chairs are placed as at a concert. Tea and coffee are given in the dining room at the conclusion of the meeting, the hostess leading the way with the speakers, the general company following in their wake. The com[illegible] take their departure from the tea-[illegible] Drawing room meetings commence [illegible] 3:30 and at 4, to suit the convenience of the speakers.

Our Young Folks

GRAND CANYON OF THE COLORADO.

The Great Natural Wonder in a Desolate Corner of the United States.

The Grand Canyon of the Colorado is a gorge in which all other famous gorges could be lost. Some of you have, perhaps, ridden through the "Grand Canyon of the Arkansas," on the Denver and Rio Grande railway in Colorado, and many more have seen the White mountain notch and the Franconia notch in New Hampshire. All three are beautiful; but, says a writer in St. Nicholas, if any one of them were duplicated in the wall of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado, and you were looking from the opposite bank of that great chasm, you would have to have your attention called to "those scratches" on the other side before you would notice them at all. If you were to take the tallest mountain east of the Rockies, uproot it and pitch it into the deepest part of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado, its granite top would not reach up to the dizzy crests of the cliffs which hem in the awful bed of this great river. If you were on the stream and New York's Statue of Liberty were upon the cliffs, it would look to you like the tiniest of dolls.



WITHIN THE GRAND CANYON.

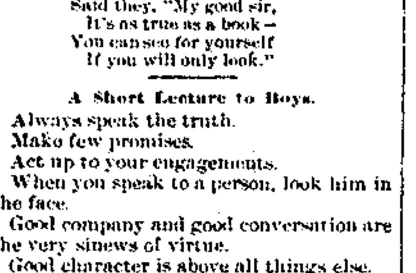
The Grand Canyon lies mainly in Arizona, though it touches also Utah, Nevada and California. With its windings it is nearly 700 miles long, and in many places over a mile and a quarter deep. The Yosemite and the Yellowstone, wonderful as they are in their precipices, are babies beside this peerless gorge. As Charles Dudley Warner has said, "There is nothing else on earth to approach it."

The walls of the Grand Canyon are in most places not perpendicular, but seen from in front they all appear to be. They are mostly of sandstone, but in places of marble, and again of volcanic rock; generally "terraced" in a manner entirely peculiar to the southwest, and cleft into innumerable "buttes" which seem towers and castles, but are infinitely vaster and more noble than the hand of man could ever rear. Very few see this canyon. Most of it lies in an absolute desert where are neither people, food nor obtainable water—for the river has carved this indescribable abyss of a trough through a vast upland, from which in many places a descent to the stream is impossible. And yet the canyon is easily reached at some points. The Atlantic and Pacific railroad comes (at Peach Springs, A. T.) within twenty-three miles of it, and one can take a stage to the canyon. In the cut here reproduced from St. Nicholas is afforded a fine view of this natural wonder.

The News of the Day.

Said I, "Little maidens,
Will you tell me, pray,
Little maidens," said I,
"The news of the day?"

"My good sir," said they,
"We will tell it you true,"
Said they, "My good sir,
We will tell it to you:



D'YOU THINK THAT IT'S TRUE?

"Last night Mother Hubbard
Devoured in her cupboard
The whole of a gooseberry pie;
An owl who knew her,
Said, 'Mother, I'm sure
It's a mercy there's nobody by!'"

Said I: "Little maidens,
D'you think that it's true?
I really can scarcely
Believe it, can you?"

Said they, "My good sir,
It's as true as a book—
You can see for yourself
If you will only look."

A Short Lecture to Boys.

Always speak the truth.

Make few promises.

Act up to your engagements.

When you speak to a person, look him in the face.

Good company and good conversation are the very sinews of virtue.

Good character is above all things else.

Keep good company or none.

Never be idle.

Your character cannot be essentially injured except by your own acts.

If one speak evil of you, let your life be so that none will believe him.

Make no haste to be rich if you would prosper; small and steady gains give competency, with tranquillity of mind.

Never play at any kind of game of chance.

Avoid temptation, through fear you may not withstand it.

Never run in debt unless you see a very certain way to get out again.

Never speak evil of any one.

Be just before you are generous.

Dog Bright and Cat Fright.

Poor Dog Bright
Ran off with all his might
Because the cat was after him,
Poor Dog Bright.

Poor Cat Fright
Ran off with all her might
Because the dog was after her,
Poor Cat Fright.

Franklin's Servant.

Franklin had a servant who was always late, but never without some specious excuse. At length he dismissed him with the words:

"I have generally found that the man who is good at an excuse is good for nothing else!"

A Curious Suggestion.

A certain gentleman who was decorated on the 14th of July last went to the registrar's office to get a copy of his certificate of birth. When it had been handed to him he read it carefully, and blandly smiling said to the clerk, "Couldn't you add Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur?"—Petit Journal.

Safe.

My typewriter's eyes are a beautiful gray,
I cannot but notice, since day after day
I meet their bright glances—I see the sweet smile
That dwells in their depths, and I know all the while
That they fail to affect me, in fact never can,
Because—well, because my typewriter's a man.
—E. L. Sylvester in Scribner's.

Couldn't Understand It.

"Rich as Crœsus," said the first as the middle aged man went past.

"No?" exclaimed the second in surprise.

"Yes, indeed," returned the first. "He's worth several million at the least."

"Strange, isn't it?"

"What's strange?"

"Why, his step is light, and he seems to be in good health."

"Oh, he is."

"There are no rings under his eyes and his hair is not prematurely gray."

"Not a ring. Why, he enjoys life."

"He looks it. He doesn't seem to have any nervous trouble either."

"He hasn't. His nerves are as strong as any one's."

"I should take him for a jovial, generous man too."

"That's just what he is. He doesn't know what it is to be small or mean."

"And he's really rich?"

"Indeed he is."

The second looked after the man with evident interest.

"Neither worn out by his chase after riches, nor made cold, hard and grasping," he said. "He's the first of the kind I've ever seen. How in the world did he get rich?"—Chicago Tribune.

Give Him a Chance.

Hostetter McGinnis proposed to Miss Esmeralda Longcoffin one day last week. She replied:

"I want you to distinctly understand that I refuse to be your wife."

"Now, don't say that, at least not yet. Wait until next Saturday before you say positively that you will not marry me," pleaded Hostetter.

"Why wait until Saturday?" asked Esmeralda.

"Because before you reject me I want you to see me in my new suit, and I'll get it from the tailor Friday night. Just wait until you see me in them lavender pants! Don't stand in your own light, Esmeralda."—Texas Siftings.

The Shores of the Rhine.

Little Paul had memorized a bit of poetry in order to celebrate his mother's birthday. They were in the parlor and he began his address, but broke down. He attempted it once or twice, but on each occasion his memory failed him. His father, however, prompting him, started him again with the old result. The poor little fellow burst into tears.

"Try it still once more, Paul."

He did so, the tears running down his cheeks and sobs breaking his utterances. He began:

How much rejoiced I am to say,
And smile, mamma, because this day, etc.
—Fliegende Blatter.

His Great Need.

Bearded Stranger—Madam, you may not recognize me, but years ago, when but a little child I lived next door, and one day in my childish romps I lost a button from my coat. I had no mother, as you know, and shall I ever forget, madam, that you took me in and sewed another button on for me. Ah, madam (brushing away a tear), through all these years I have treasured that little button as a sacred relic, and here it is.

Kind Lady—Well, my good man, what can I do for you now?

Bearded Stranger—All I need is another coat.—Clothier and Furnisher.

An Approximation.

It is seldom that a woman's curiosity leads her to the morgue, but during the past week there have been quite a number there. Among them were two ladies that looked at the body of the then unknown floater who was found in the river at Sedamsville.

"Do you know him?" asked Superintendent Shaw.

"No," replied one of the ladies hesitatingly, "but I think I know his mother."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

On the Safe Side.

He was barefooted and altogether looked like a sign for a rag store.

"You can't deny," said the magistrate, "that a loaded pistol was found in your pocket."

"No, your honor," was the tramp's reply, "but you must understand that these times nobody knows when he may be attacked and robbed."—Fliegende Blatter.

A Sleigh Ride.

She looked so sweet among her furs
I longed to press her to my heart;
But with one hand to rightly drive,
Alas! I did not have the art.

I tried, and tried and tried again:
But when my arm stole round her waist
The skittish colt would leap aside
And make me draw it back in haste.

She chatted gayly all the while
And did not seem to see me strive,
Until at last she pouting said,
"Give me the lines and I will drive."
—New York Herald.